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# FATE OF LEAGUE SOON AT STAKE

## FRENCH ANSWER TO GERMANY SARRAUT DEFENDS RUSSIAN PACT WON'T NEGOTIATE IN SHADOW OF VIOLENCE

Paris, March 10.  
Queues waited for two hours to obtain admittance to the Chamber of Deputies to-day to hear the Premier, M. Albert Sarraut's speech, in reply to the German Chancellor's memorandum offering new security terms to the French.

The Prime Minister said that France's request to Germany, made through the Ambassador at Berlin, to define the basis for conversations as an outcome of a recent interview with Herr Adolf Hitler published in a Paris newspaper, had been answered with the repudiation of the Treaty of Locarno, a freely negotiated part, and the sudden and brutal reoccupation of the Rhineland demilitarised zone.

Thirty battalions of infantry and artillery units had been poured into this treaty-defended area, said M. Sarraut.

"We have taken up our stand within the framework of the League of Nations because the fate of the League will be at stake in the near future," declared the Prime Minister.

Defending the Franco-Soviet pact, he denied that France had promised Russia more than she would owe in any case as a League member.

M. Sarraut invited the German people, in the name of its culture and racial virtues, to ponder the new responsibilities certain people wish to make it assume. He asserted that France never had and never would wish to assault German liberty and honour.

"France has no advantage to draw from the misery of the German people," he asserted.

**Shadow Of Violence**  
France could not negotiate under the shadow of violence and after the denunciation of treaty signatures voluntarily exchanged, he declared.

France was ready to unite with other League powers and to reply to this formidable attack on international confidence, faith in treaties of collective security and the organisation of peace, M. Sarraut proclaimed. France was also prepared to negotiate with Germany, but respect for international law must first be re-assured.—*Reuter*.

### Russia Backs France

London, Mar. 10.

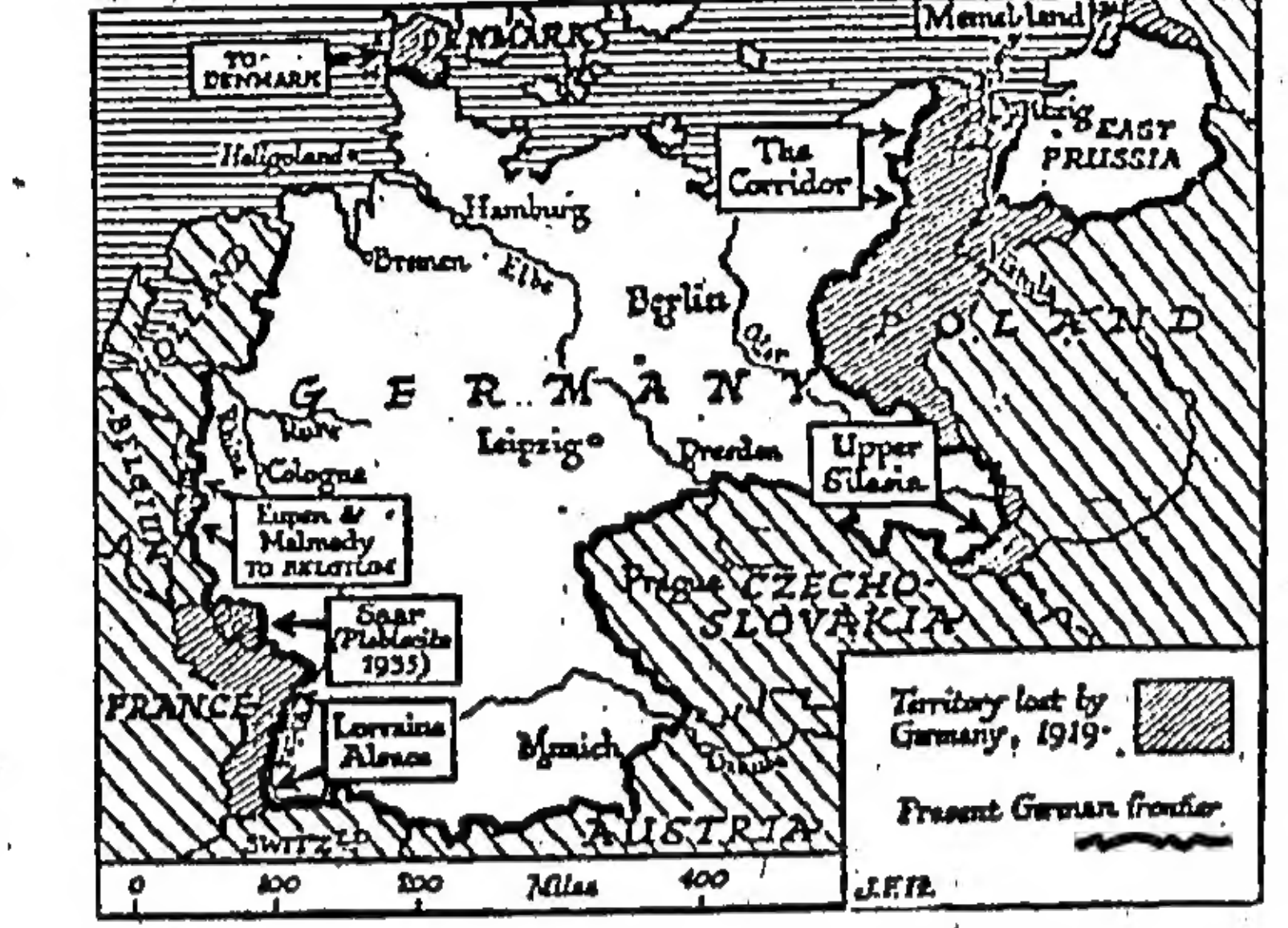
The Soviet Ambassador, Mr. Ivan Maiski, to-day told Lord Cranborne, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, that Russia resolutely opposed negotiating with Germany, but will actively participate in any action Geneva recommends.

It is learned that the Russian Ambassador in Paris, M. Potemkin, delivered a similar message to M. Pierre Flandin, the French Foreign Minister.

This statement apparently fore-shadows a united front on the part of France, Russia, the Little Entente and Turkey, and possibly others, against both Germany and the British inclination to compromise with Herr Adolf Hitler, and may neutralise Britain's efforts to win France to a policy of concession.

There is much concern in Britain following the reception by His Majesty the King of the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, and the Secretary for War, Mr. A. Duff Cooper. Each received separate audiences, and significance is attached to the interviews.

It is understood that M. Maiski, intimated that to fail to take action against Germany in this instance would be tantamount to rewarding an aggressor and that the Soviet would consider such a death blow to the League of Nations.—*United Press*.



## HITLER DEFENDS HIS PROPOSALS DIRECT NEGOTIATION FOR PACTS URGED

London, March 10.

The German Chancellor, Herr Adolf Hitler, further explained his attitude towards the Treaty of Locarno and his action in reoccupying the Rhineland with military forces in an important interview with Mr. G. Ward Price at Munich. The interview was given much prominence in the *Daily Mail* to-day.

Herr Hitler stated that his proposal for non-aggression pacts with border states was meant to be universally applied, with Austria and Czechoslovakia included in the scheme. The pacts could be more efficiently negotiated by direct dealings between the governments concerned, he said.

Pacts between Germany on one side and France and Belgium, and perhaps Holland, on the other, should be a matter for the governments of those countries, and for the governments of Britain and Italy, which would be invited to sign as sureties.

It might perhaps be desirable that the powers which guaranteed the pacts should first discuss the matter with those whose security they would guarantee.

Similarly, non-aggression pacts could be directly negotiated between other bordering states. Germany would be only too glad, however, if some other power, Britain for example, would come forward as an honest broker with a practical proposition for a solution of these matters.

### WILL DO NO MORE

The German Government, said Herr Hitler, would do nothing more to alter the existing situation. There was no reason to fix a time limit for his proposals but if they were again rejected or simply ignored, the German Government would not importune Europe with further overtures.

Herr Hitler disclaimed any intention of aggressive action against France, but in view of the fact that the Franco-Soviet military alliance was contrary to the spirit and letter of the Locarno Pact, the densely populated and economically valuable border zone of the Reich could not be left defenceless, he said.

### RECIPROCAL ACTION

He urged that demilitarised zones on a reciprocal basis was the best solution.

And he began by making his proposals, coupled with a demand for restoration of sovereign rights in the Rhineland, they would probably have been approved by the world, Herr Hitler said.—*(Continued on Page 12)*

## LOCARNO ALLIES IN CONFERENCE LEAGUE WILL MEET IN LONDON

## SERIOUS IMPLICATIONS OF GERMAN ACTION

Paris, March 10.

There were dramatic developments this evening when, after the second meeting of the Locarno Powers' representatives at the Quai d'Orsay, from 7.40 p.m. until 10.12 p.m., it was announced that it had been decided that the League of Nations' Council should meet in London on Thursday and that Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, and Lord Halifax, the Lord Privy Seal who accompanied him to Paris, would fly to London to-morrow to discuss further the position with members of the British Cabinet.

The French are understood to be delighted at the decision of the British delegates to invite a discussion of the Locarno problem in London.

The idea emanated from Mr. Eden and Lord Halifax, who submitted it to Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, whose approval was received just before the second conference at the Quai d'Orsay this evening.

The net result of the morning conference of the Locarno powers is understood to be an increased realisation of the serious implications of the German action in reoccupying the Rhineland.

It is understood that France insists upon the withdrawal of even a symbolic force of German troops before she will negotiate with Germany.

The point especially stressed this morning was that Belgium's security was even more dependent upon the existence of a demilitarised zone than France's, and that Germany was unable to accuse Belgium of violating the Locarno Pact, as she has accused France in connection with the Franco-Russian agreement.—*Reuter*.

### Italy's Stand

Rome, March 10.  
While Italy is participating in the Paris discussions in respect of Germany's violation of the Locarno Treaty, no clear statement of her attitude has been published officially as yet.

Her position is made the subject of ironic comment in the press. Stamps, for example, says Paris and London are taking the position that Italy is a guarantor of the Treaty of Locarno, but pretend to forget that Italy is an accused nation past beyond the pale.—*Reuter*.

## SHARP TENSION IN MADRID

## TWO SOCIALISTS SLAIN IN COLD BLOOD

Madrid, March 10.  
Sharp tension exists following the killing of two Socialists, allegedly by Fascists, to-day.

The Socialists were holding a meeting when shots were fired at the gathering from a passing taxi.—*Reuter*.

## NEW YORK LIFT STRIKE CONTINUES TO SPREAD

New York, March 10.

The leader of the New York lift operators' strike to-day called out the workers in 900 additional buildings in the vital area of the Grand Central Station, following the owners' rejection of Mayor La Guardia's plan for the settlement of the disagreement over wages.

The strikers' leader, Mr. Bambrick, declared the "big push" was only starting and claimed 7,000 workers had answered to-day's summons and that 4,200 buildings were now affected throughout the city. Police say this claim is exaggerated.



The late Admiral Lord Beatty, whose death occurred just after midnight.

## FAMOUS ADMIRAL PASSES EARL BEATTY OF NORTH SEA

## FIGHTING LEADER

London, March 11.

Admiral Lord Beatty, who was Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Fleet during the greater part of the European war, died shortly after midnight. He had been gravely ill for some days prior to his passing.—*Reuter*.

David Beatty was born at Borodale, Co. Wexford, Ireland, in 1871. With- in 35 years of his entering the Navy he had attained the leadership of the Grand Fleet and an Earldom. Practically all his service was at sea, but after being with the Nile gunboats in 1900, he took part in the Boxer in 1902. In 1903 he was appointed to the command of the fastest and most powerful scouting force ever launched, hoisting his flag in the Lion. Fisher had never met him when the war broke out, but a few weeks of service showed his gift for leadership. In the action in the Heligoland Bight on August 28, 1914, in which Beatty's battle-cruisers were supporting a scouting force, he was just in time to save the light cruiser and sank every German ship in the vicinity. Then and throughout the war his battle-cruisers were the spearhead of the British Navy and his men were ready to follow him anywhere.

### FIGHTING ADMIRAL

He was pre-eminently a fighting Admiral who was not hampered by cautious official theories of strategy and was ready to take risks, but he also showed skill and caution in dealing with the head-on tactics of modern naval war. At the battle of the Dogger Bank on January 24, 1915, he chased German ships for three hours, inflicting such heavy damage that the Blucher sank, while the Seydlitz, Derfflinger and Moltke were in full flight. The two former in a battered condition. The Lion was put out of action and the command devolved on Rear-Admiral Sir A. Moore. Beatty's signals to "keep near to the enemy" were missed or misunderstood by the other ships with the result that the German vessels got away and what promised to be a complete victory was inconclusive.

Beatty and his six battle-cruisers played a leading part in the battle of Jutland on May 31 and June 1, 1916. His force, which also included the four newest battleships, engaged Hipper's five battle-cruisers, but the German ships escaped fatal damage from the heavier British fire. When Beatty turned to lure Hipper's vessels towards the Grand Fleet, he masked the fire of his own battleships and exposed his cruisers to the high-angle fire of the Germans. The Queen Mary and Indefatigable were sunk, but later the Queen Elizabeth class inflicted much damage on their opponents, the Lutzow and Pommern being sunk and the Konig, Seydlitz and Derfflinger disabled. Beatty then moved into line with the Grand Fleet, in which process, Admiral (Continued on Page 12)



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## DOCTORS REVEAL NEW VACCINE TO AVOID COLDS

Two London doctors, brothers, have successfully experimented on themselves during this winter with a new preventive treatment for the common cold, the mystery of which has baffled world medical science.

The treatment consists of swallowing a weekly dose of vaccine on an empty stomach before going to bed.

The physicians who prepared the vaccine and tried it out are Dr. David Thomson and Dr. Robert Thomson.

Dr. David Thomson is honorary director of the Pickett-Thomson Research Laboratory, St. Paul's Hospital, London, where the experiments took place with the help of his brother, who is also on the staff, and Mr. E. T. Thompson, senior laboratory assistant.

### REACTIONS NOTED

They report in the last issue of *British Medical Journal* that they prepared a vaccine from the bacillus which is generally responsible for bad colds, together with a strain of bronchitis germs.

Each in turn took doses, through the mouth instead of by the normal method of taking a vaccine by hypodermic injection. Their physical reactions and increased resistance to colds were noted.

The other type of vaccine was prepared from bacteria connected with cases of bronchitis catarrh, pneumonia and common colds. This was also taken through the mouth.

The three experimenters write:—  
"We record these results as they definitely indicate the practicability of the oral method for prophylactic immunisation against the various secondary pathogenic organisms associated with colds and influenza."

"There is no doubt that there is a real need for such methods in public health work, when prophylactic immunisation has to be applied to large masses of the population."

"It is more convenient in every way to swallow a vaccine than to have it injected. . . . The necessity of getting a medical man to inject vaccine weekly deters many people from trying such immunisation."

Their last sentence is the most significant:—  
"None of us has had colds this winter so far, in spite of considerable exposure to infection."

They began their experiments last September.

### FAIR AT FAIR



There will be a lot of pretty new attractions at the California Pacific International Exposition when it re-opens at San Diego. Gladys Bowen, danseuse, for instance.

## RIOT AT CHAPLIN FILM

### Tried By Wine For Homicide In Germany

A GLASGOW seaman who appeared in the Edinburgh High Court last month accused of culpable homicide was stated to have been tried previously for the offence in Germany.

He was taken before a tribunal in Hamburg. The tribunal, it was stated, submitted him to an alcohol test.

A bottle and a half of wine was given to him. After this he became completely out of control, and acted as violently as he did on the night of the crime. The tribunal found that he was not responsible for his actions because of the drink. He was released.

### LIBERATED

The seaman, Robert Hamilton, pleaded guilty to culpable homicide on December 31, 1934, on board a British steamer then in harbour at Hamburg.

It was stated that Hamilton, who was drunk at the time, struck James Wallace, the chief engineer, with a metal scraper. Wallace died from the injury.

The Lord Justice Clerk, who heard the story of the Hamburg trial, sentenced Hamilton to five months' imprisonment, to date from his arrest in this country on September 5. This meant that he would be liberated.

### HATS TRAMPLED ON, CLOTHES TORN

### CHARLES DELIGHTS WITH FIRST WORDS ON SCREEN

New York, Feb. 28.  
While Charles Chaplin's new film, "Modern Times," was being given its first public showing last night, three squads of emergency police were dealing with another aspect of modern times outside the theatre.

All traffic on Broadway was held up for 15 minutes by a struggling crowd which gathered to watch the celebrities arrive at the Rivoli Cinema Theatre.

When at last a narrow lane was cleared through the mass of modern humanity the ground was strewn with trampled hats and torn clothing.

**HAPPINESS CRUSADE.**  
The cause of the trouble, a little man with baggy trousers whose voice was heard for the first time on the screen in this film, was

### Famous Fenian to be Honoured

One of the few remaining Fenians in Ireland is to be honoured at a Mansion House ceremony to which the leaders of the Government and the Opposition will be invited.

He is 90-year-old Dr. Mark Ryan, one of the most famous of former Irish rebels.

His portrait, by Mr. Leo Whelan, will be presented to him with an illuminated address signed by some of the best-known people in Ireland.

The ceremony is being planned for a month's time.

nearly 3,000 miles away in California.

It is five years since he produced his last film, "City Lights." He has spent £100,000 and years of revision on "Modern Times," which he describes as "a story of industry, of individual enterprise, humanity, crusading in pursuit of happiness."

A vast audience of celebrities, including Evelyn Laye, Tilly Losch, Gloria Swanson, Ginger Rogers, Eddie Cantor, and parties who had come specially from England, waited to hear his voice.

**LOW, HUSKY VOICE**  
It came, low and husky, a few nonsensical words which he, as a singing waiter who had forgotten the lines of his song, improvised to the tune of a Spanish fandango.

The story? The usual rib-tickling Chaplin jest with what the *Herald Tribune* describes as "a sardonic contemplation of current events from a surprisingly direct Leftish point of view."

Chaplin, a factory worker overwhelmed by the monotony of machinery, is arrested, finds comfort—escape—in prison, is discharged against his will, seeks to return to gaol.

Takes blame for the theft of bread by a gamine—Paulette Goddard—who later becomes a cabaret dancer and gets Chaplin his job as singing waiter.

Their happiness is brief. They are last seen trudging off together, but in a spirit of optimism—"Modern Times."

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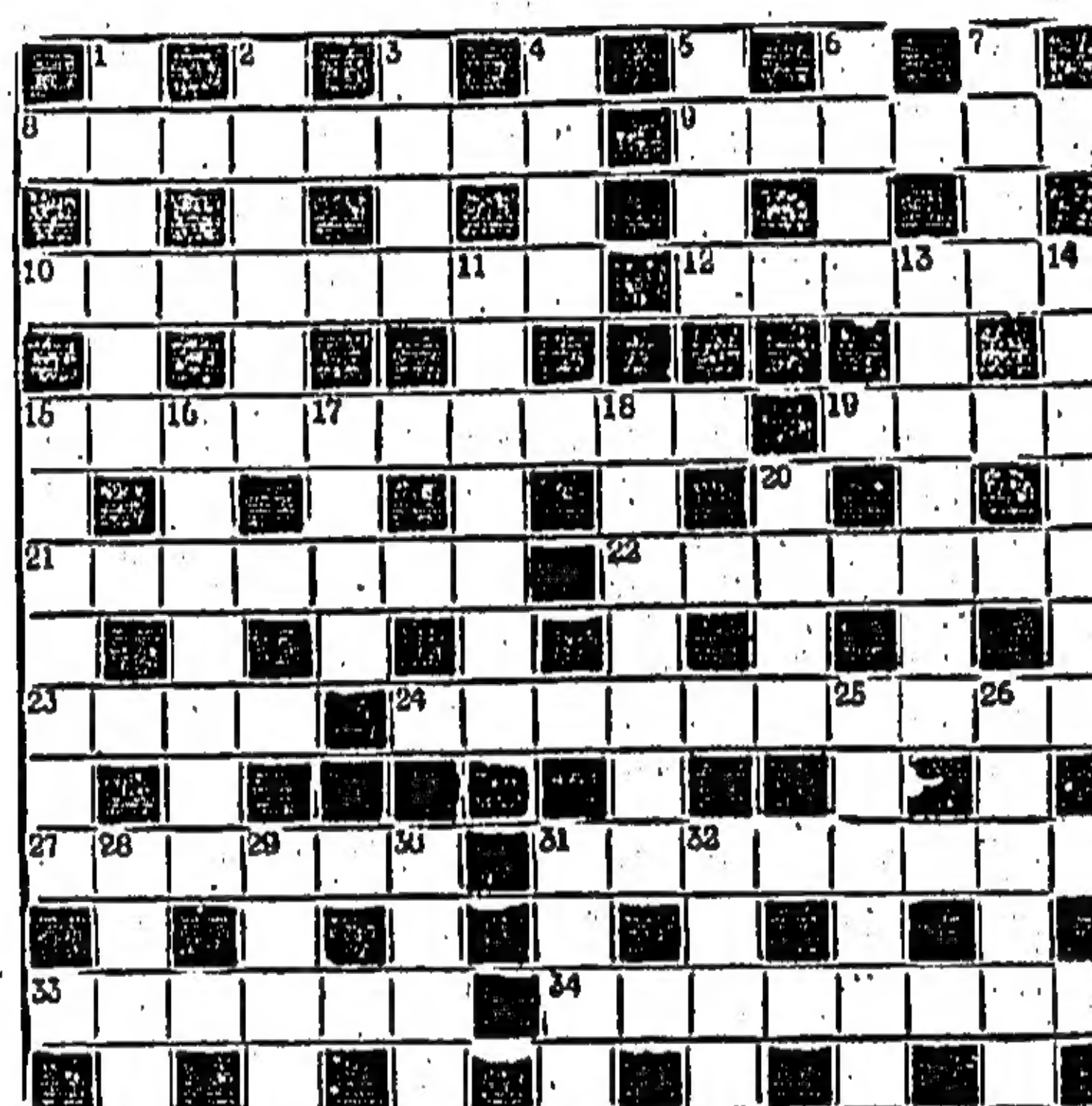
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- 9 Obviously a fishing vessel.
- 10 Beneficial.
- 12 Curtained it might be later, but tell everything.
- 15 A word of this sort has a dash of conjunction in it.
- 19 Sounds like one of a chosen tribe that worried the Romans.
- 21 Exaggeration is implied in drawing this.
- 22 Pleasure may be transitory for some, but joy sticks for this fellow!
- 23 Even a rhymester will turn when it's dreary.
- 24 The nervous product of a shy article.
- 27 Races of this kind are not unknown in the East.
- 31 The land of the 19-across.
- 33 White, black, or grey, wanderers.
- 34 Turkey has often given this Christian pain, not always at Xmas.

#### DOWN

- 1 A subject of pun effect in youth.
- 2 This is as good as a feast.
- 3 A town of architectural inclination.
- 4 Extremely.
- 5 This fish with 6 down is a fuel.
- 6 A fuel by itself.
- 7 Another fuel.
- 11 From beacon to beacon gives you a cross reference to this.
- 13 An Eastern.
- 14 Captivate.

- 15 The best judges keep this in a recess.
- 16 This bird starts with a full tankard.
- 17 River of Europe.
- 18 This may keep the firemen's hose in place.
- 20 A row from the heart of 24 across.
- 25 If it was not what it says, how could one land on it?
- 26 An Xmas book for a child?
- 28 A noble fellow.
- 29 Has turned to a Royal one.
- 30 An English coastal feature.
- 31 has turned to an Irish literary figure.
- 32 A frank abbreviation.

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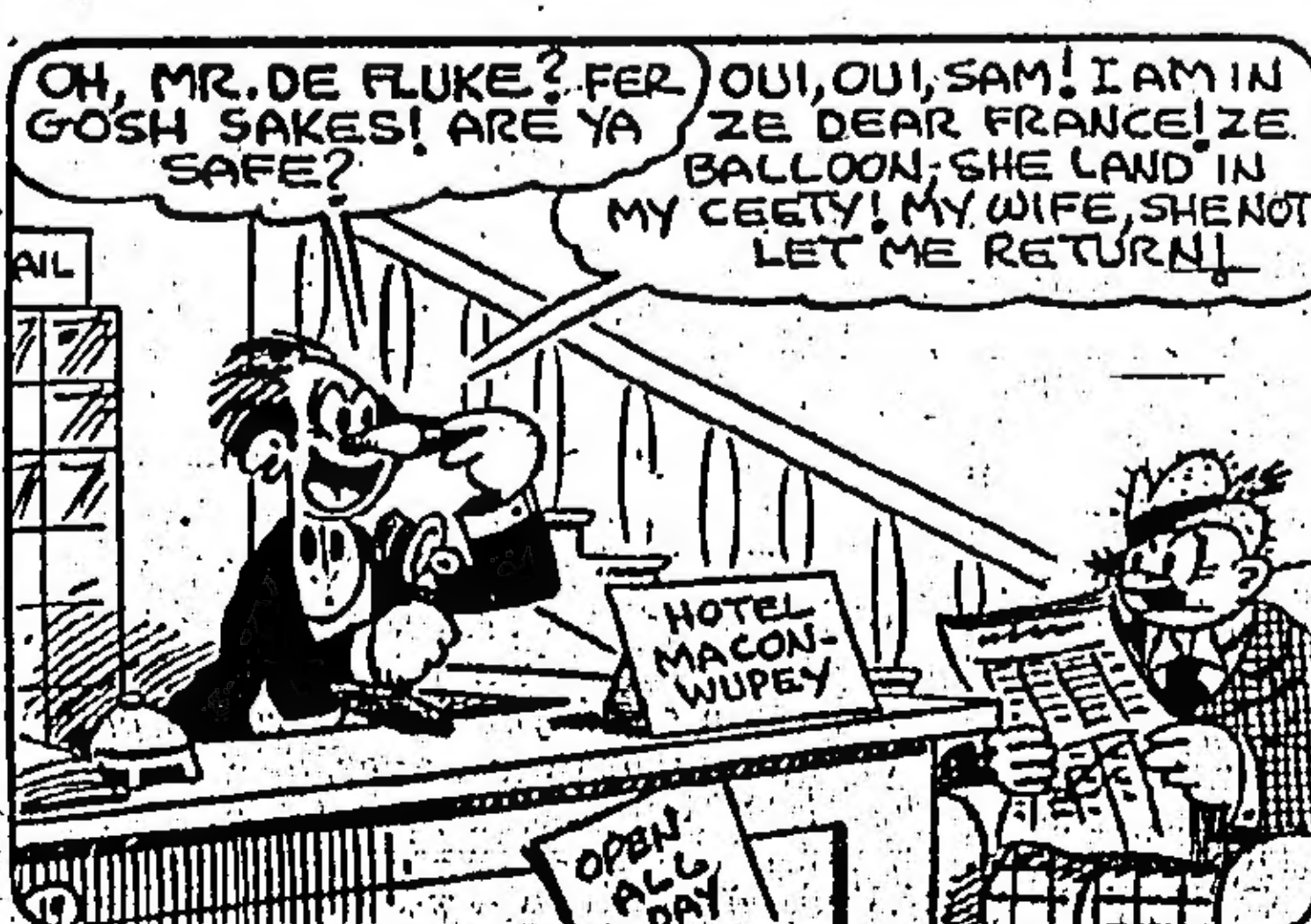
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# ARMS DEALER SCOFFS AT WORLD PEACE

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Vice-Admiral Arthur J. Hepburn, commander of the U.S. Navy scouting force, appointed by President Roosevelt commander-in-chief of the combined United States fleet. He will succeed Admiral Joseph M. Reeves in June.

## Australian Air Needs Come First

### AIR PLAN REJECTION

Sydney, Mar. 3. Describing the British air mail service scheme to a crowded meeting at Mosman last night, the Minister for Defence (Mr. Parkhill), gave several reasons why the Commonwealth Government had rejected it.

Australia wanted to play its part in Empire schemes, he said, but considered that internal development should come first. Mr. Parkhill said that the future of the scheme was the proposal that, commencing in 1937, all first-class Empire mails should be conveyed by air at the postage rate at present charged for sea transportation.

#### English Control

For the England-Australia route, it was suggested that the mails should be carried twice weekly in each direction by large flying-boats.

A 10-day schedule was proposed at the inception of the new plan, reducing to seven days when the route was completely equipped and organised for flying by night as well as by day.

The scheme contemplated, as an essential, the pooling of the resources of the Dominion companies under the control of Imperial Airways, said Mr. Parkhill.

Mr. Parkhill said that in its present form the scheme presented important problems from a Commonwealth point of view.

He declared that the carriage of large loads of first-class mail involved costs that might conceivably be beyond the capacity of the Australian Treasury.

There were doubts as to the wisdom of relinquishing the fully-Australian control of the service through Australia and on to Singapore, as Australia was definitely interested both commercially and strategically in the route to Singapore.

#### "Speed Inadequate"

The introduction of flying-boats would also necessitate the preparation of a new seaplane route from Darwin, via the Gulf of Carpentaria and Townsville, to Sydney, and would have an effect on the development of the inland land plane route to Darwin, which was already partly developed, and was strategically more important.

The speed of the flying boat proposed was, in the eyes of many, quite inadequate for a trunk service of such importance, said Mr. Parkhill.

"However," he continued, "all the various and conflicting considerations, including the future of aviation in Australia, have been carefully studied, and the Commonwealth Government has intimated that it is with great regret that it is unable to accept the proposals of the British Government. It is suggesting, for mature consideration, an improvement in the service, and a reduction in the surcharge for letters from 1s. 6d. to 6d. The views of the British Government are now awaited."

## NAVAL SHELL MAKERS' SECRET REPLIES

### Frank Admission of "Palm Greasing"

#### WORLD TRADE IN SECOND-HAND RIFLES

AN ARMS DEALER'S CONTEMPTUOUS REMARKS ON WORLD PEACE IDEALS WERE QUOTED AT THE RESUMED SESSION OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION ON ARMS.

Dame Rachel Crowley read a letter from Captain Ball, of the Sole Armament Co., which said:

"In spite of all the dreams of the idealists, who imagine that *homo sapiens* is filled with honour, justice, love and self-sacrifice, Japan is going to take a still larger slice of China, and comparatively shortly while the getting is good."

"Palm greasing," "big business" and "wangle" were phrases that stood out in the frank admissions and letters of Captain Ball.

Sir Harry McGowan and other representatives of Imperial Chemical Industries, Limited, continued their evidence when the sitting was resumed. Sir John Eldon Banks again presided.

#### "NOT GUIDED BY PROFIT MOTIVE"

Sir Thomas pointed out that under the present system the Government was a customer of I.C.I., but not a very large one. He wondered if the loss of the United Kingdom and Empire trade to I.C.I. would concern them.

Sir Harry McGowan: We would not be concerned with the private loss by nationalisation, but the great loss to the country. Mr. J. Rogers, a representative of I.C.I., agreed with Sir Thomas that generally speaking it was necessary for peace-time orders to be secured to enable any concern to be ready for an emergency in time of war.

Later, Mr. Rogers said he did not think it was true that men engaged in private trade were guided by the profit motive.

#### FOREIGN STATES WOULD OBJECT

When Sir Thomas asked whether I.C.I. had removed or absorbed all its rivals, Sir Harry McGowan said: "No, no. We are not a monopoly."

Later, Sir Harry said, "We think foreign Governments will object to disclosure of the business we are doing with them, and I do not think it would help the cause of peace at all."

Professor Gutteridge (a member of the Commission) said that they had been told that the export of poison gas to Italy had been prohibited.

Sir Harry McGowan said that was so.

Professor Gutteridge: Is it necessary to prohibit it if none is being made?—I only know that we don't make it.

Mr. Rogers, in answer to other questions, remarked that there were twenty small arms manufacturers to-day competing for business all over the world, and there was plenty of competition.

Sir Harry agreed that no licence was necessary for the export of raw materials for explosives and poisonous gases.

Professor Gutteridge: No attempt has been made during the present crisis to stop exports?—No.

#### EFFECT OF BAN ON CHLORINE EXPORTS

Professor Gutteridge: Can you give me an idea. Take chlorine, for example?

Sir Harry: Do you suggest that chlorine should not be exported to any country where it might be used for conversion into poison gases?

Professor Gutteridge: Yes. Sir Harry: If our export of chlorine was stopped it would naturally affect us materially.

Professor Gutteridge: Another suggestion has been made, that all orders received for munitions from abroad should be made public. I would like to know whether this would affect your business.

Sir Harry McGowan: It would not be fair to us. It would disclose to competitors our business. After Professor Gutteridge had been told of the procedure followed when explosives were being exported, he remarked:

"The licence is much more effective in your case than in the case of, perhaps, machine guns, which can be packed up as pianos and perambulators."

Mr. Rogers: Yes.

#### "THERE'S ALWAYS SOMETHING SINISTER"

Mr. H. A. Rehcke, chairman of William Beckett and Company, Limited, Parkhead Steel Works, Glasgow, put in a statement in the reply to the Commission's questionaire.

He said that the estimated replacement value of plant which would be rendered redundant in the

During the proceedings, Mr. C. S. Robinson, one of the I.C.I. chemical experts, revealed that the general impression that mustard gas was easy to make was all wrong.

If he had the raw materials given to him he would have an extraordinarily difficult job, despite his twenty years' experience in chemistry, to make it.

event of the establishment of a State monopoly was £2,270,000.

The Government was practically their only customer for armaments. For each of the five years since 1930 the company had made a loss.

Professor Gutteridge said that it had been suggested there was something sinister about the financing of the company.

"There is always something sinister about an armaments firm," Mr. Rehcke answered.

He added that there was no mystery about the matter at all. Particulars were available at Somerset House.

Professor Gutteridge: One sees these pictures of armaments manufacturers creeping about with money bags in their hands. That does not apply to you, does it? You have been carrying on business at a heavy loss for some years.

Major Clark, managing director of Messrs. Hadfield, Limited, Sheffield, said that his firm's predominant interest in munition work had always been the manufacture of armour piercing shells in which they had been able to introduce important developments.

His firm asked that the information given in their replies to the Commission should not be published.

In their works was an Admiralty "bond," entirely the property of the Admiralty. It was locked up at night, and the Admiralty had their own staff there.

Sir Philip Gibbs questioned Major Clark regarding what he described as the important Hadfield armour-piercing shell.

Major Clark denied that Hadfield had sold these shells or allowed people to manufacture them on licence to eight foreign countries. He also said that to say the shell was secret was a myth, as it was a patent.

#### "CRIPPLED BY LACK OF SUPPORT"

He told Sir Philip that the shells supplied in 1930 to the Japanese Navy were not the Hadfield armour-piercing shells Sir Philip had referred to.

Mr. Geoffrey D. Burton, managing director of the B.S.A. Company Limited, Birmingham, told the Commissioners that although the name of the company was the Birmingham Small Arms Company, Limited, a large part of its activities had always related to peacetime products except during war periods.

Prior to the war the proportion of Government work was very much greater than to-day.

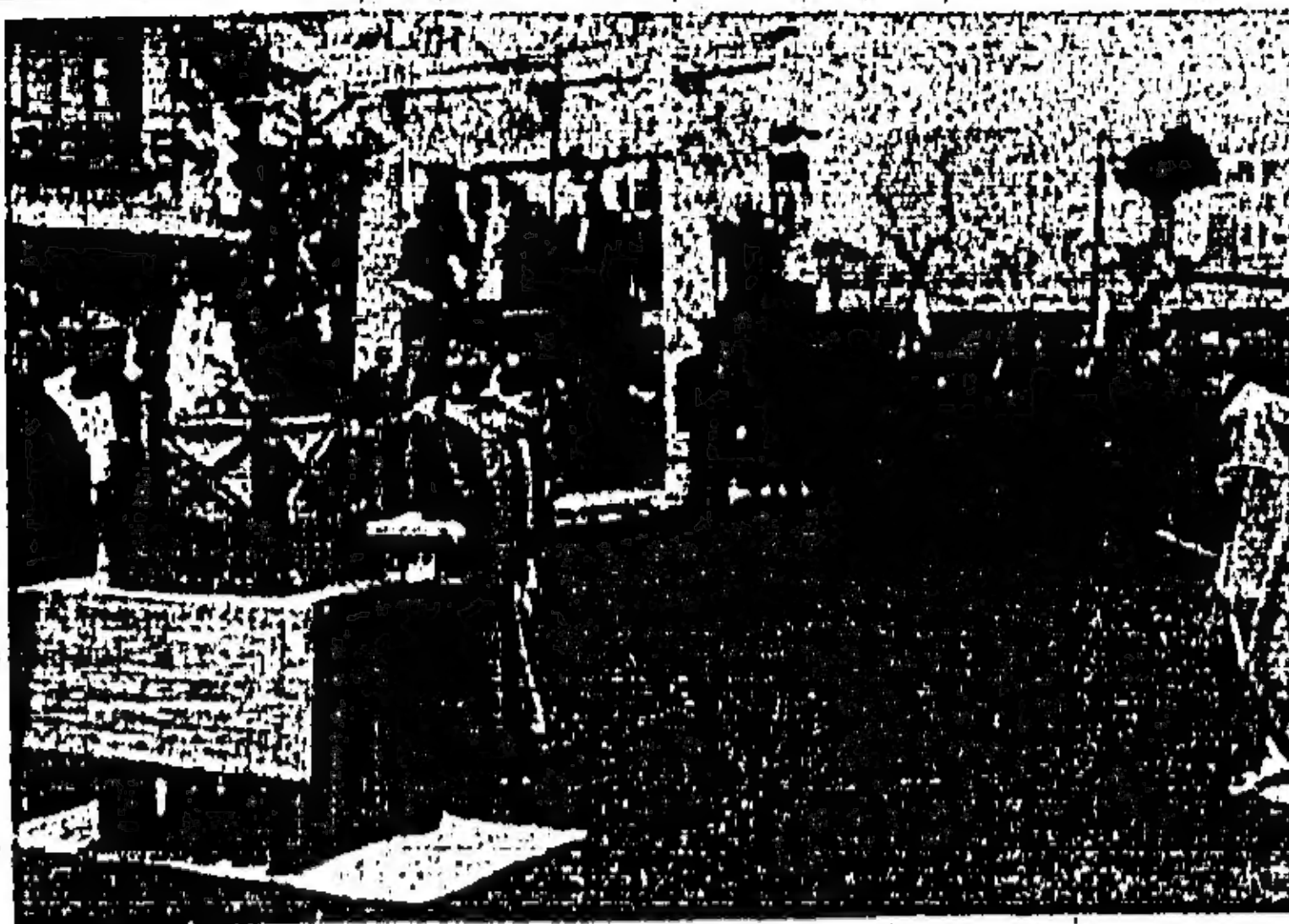
He asserted that many of the difficulties could be overcome if the Government took over the B.S.A. Company's small arms factory and personnel, but he contended that the difference between a factory operated by the Government and a similar factory trying to earn profits for shareholders was very definite.

The company trying to pay a return on capital invested would have a much greater incentive and urge to ingenuity. He thought that a private company could be run more economically.

#### "GRAN GRINDER'S MONKEY" JEST

Captain Ball, of the Sole Armament Company, Limited, said that he had served in the Air Force. After the war he took up the

## OFFERING PRAYERS FOR HARVEST



Japanese, houses in Shanghai last week hoisted national flags and displayed strips of silk, while Japanese schools were closed on the occasion of the Harvest Festival. Shown above at the Shanghai Shrine, near Hongkew Park, is Mr. N. Tabata, Vice-Consul, officiating at the prayer-offering ceremony for an abundant harvest this autumn.

business of disposing of surplus rifles. The B.S.A. Company had an exclusive agency from the War Office, and his firm acted as agents for the B.S.A.

There was laughter when the chairman quoted from a letter, written by Captain Ball, the statement that a section of the Press suggested that they were "as devoid of morals as an Italian organ grinder's monkey."

Captain Ball, questioned by Dame Rachel Crowley, said a factory at Liege existed for the purpose of converting rifles of one calibre to another.

Dame Rachel referred to evidence which was given before the American Arms Inquiry, and particularly to correspondence passing between the Sole Armament Company and the American Armament Company.

The following passage from a letter by Captain Ball was quoted by Dame Rachel:

"As you are no doubt aware, China consumes a vast quantity of small arms per year, and they have bought large quantities of rifles from us, mainly Mausers (over 100,000 in 1931-32), but have slackened off lately owing to the loss of Manchuria and the shortage of ready money in the South, namely, Canton and Nanking."

"In spite of all the dreams of the idealists, who imagine that *homo sapiens* is filled with honour, justice, love and self-sacrifice, Japan is going to take a still larger slice of China, and comparatively shortly, while the getting is good."

"To place herself in a favourable position, Japan must either buy over the Soviet or fight them, and Japan will do one or the other before attending to some more of China."

"Such a move on Japan's part would seriously affect U.S. interests in China, and we think that U.S. would under the above circumstances, support the Chinese and supply them with arms, etc."

#### LEAVING "WANGLES" TO BIG BUSINESS

"In such an eventuality, something might be done with the stocks of rifles here; also M.C.s; and we think it might be very advisable to approach the U.S. Department for Foreign Affairs and the War Department and hand them a list of what stocks are over here."

"You may possibly have other ideas of your own as to how such a matter should be handled."

"For example, it might be better to bring the stock to the notice only of some 'big business' gentlemen, and leave any possible wangles to them, for they may even see quicker possibilities in such a stock."

"Nothing would surprise us, but bear in mind that world stocks of small arms have sunk very much during the last few years, and we certainly think that our stock is the only one left of any importance."

From another letter addressed to the Sole Armament Company by Mr. A. J. Miranda, on behalf of the American Armament Corporation, Dame Rachel quoted:

"Your remarks, anent greasing the wheels that make the deals go round are very true, and we fully appreciate that very often oil must be added to your quotations."

Dame Rachel said: "You are definitely putting into the minds of the United States that they had better buy arms in order to support the Chinese. That seems to me to come very much within the category of preparation, and I should like you to make some comment on that."

Captain Ball: I should call it intelligent anticipation on my part."

Sir Thomas Allen said that whatever other firms had told them it seemed that "palm greasing" was something that Captain Ball recognised.

"Oh, most certainly!" Captain Ball said. "People are not going to do anything for nothing."

"The British Government has refused to allow the export of British rifles to Abyssinia," he went on. "That is, Government-owned arms from the surplus stocks."

"Stocks of British rifles and British guns were left in the various countries after the war—in Italy, for instance. There is nothing to prevent these British rifles going to Abyssinia at the present moment."

THE LETTER OF THE LAW

Dame Rachel: Your theory is that it is wise to keep within the letter of the law, and the spirit of the law is as nothing?

Captain Ball: The only thing the British Government is concerned with is the letter of the law. They cannot prevent the shipment of British rifles from any of the other countries. How can they prevent that?

Mr. Spender (a member of the Commission) asked whether Captain Ball was a salaried servant of the company and the latter replied: "No, I am the Sole Armament Company."

Mr. Spender: Do you say that dealing with all your customers it is necessary to grease the wheels?—No, I don't by any means. With some of them it is essential; with others it is not.

There is a sort of moral meridian?—It is a matter of longitude and latitude.

Sir Philip Gibbs: One sense of mystery in my mind, which I am sure you will be able to clear up, is how you get your stocks of rifles and other munitions of war. For instance, you have told us that your Continental trade is as a thousand to one.

Captain Ball: Yes. We get our stocks from the surplus of foreign Governments.

Sir Philip questioned Captain Ball regarding the Mauser rifles, and asked to what customers these went.

Captain Ball said the Chinese Government.

Sir Thomas Allen said that apparently large quantities of British rifles were stocked on the Continent.

Captain Ball said that for instance, the British abandoned 50,000 rifles in Italy after the war. The Commission adjourned.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
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MARKET IRREGULAR YESTERDAY

New York, March 10.

Swan, Culbertson and Fritz Wall Street Journal comment on 9/3 markets:—It is reported that much of yesterday's late selling was from Florida. The steel industry needs greater co-operation in maintaining prices in order to operate profitably this Spring. Those who had been anticipating a reaction now predict that the market will go further before any important resistance appears.

Traders and brokers anticipate temporary nervous and irregular markets, with a tendency towards lower prices, as long as the European situation is uncertain. Selling in order to meet tax payments is expected during the balance of this week.

S. C. & F. New York office cables:—

Stocks: The market made a good recovery as the scare is now fading. The United States Steel Corporation shipped 676,316 tons of finished steel in February, against 583,137 tons in February of last year. The following company earnings are for 1935:

The Washington Electric Company \$4.49 per share, combined preferred and common, against \$2.27 per preferred share the previous year.

American Water Works \$1.32 per share, against \$1.03 the previous year.

For Warner \$5.59 per share, against \$3.09 the previous year. Business failures during the past week totalled 201, against 188 failures the previous week. Demand deposits amounted to \$13,965,000,000 as compared with \$14,090,000,000 the previous week.

Cotton: The market was without any special feature and there were no material Washington developments apparent to-day. Selling of March cotton by the Producers' Pool continues.

Wheat: Reported dust storms and heaving fly in the South-West have created some interest, but we consider that it is too early for damage to the crop by either. The slightly better foreign markets had a favourable influence here.

Rubber: Strike news suggests an early settlement. The market is firm and looks likely to move higher.

## REUTER QUOTATIONS

Low Jones Averages:

March 9, March 10.

30 Industrials ..... 153.59 155.87

20 Rails ..... 47.89 48.54

20 Utilities ..... 31.77 31.98

40 Bonds ..... 102.63 102.44

11 Commodity Index 56.97 57.13

## E. R. 1936-1937.

Scaled Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 20th March, 1936, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Poultry, Pork, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions, and necessaries for the year ending 31st March, 1937.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the R. N. Hospital. The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

G. D. G. FERGUSON, Surgeon Captain, Medical Officer in Charge, Royal Naval Hospital, Hongkong, 11th March, 1936.

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 47th Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 18th day of March, 1936, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, the 10th March, 1936, to Wednesday, the 18th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, T. C. T. BECK, Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1936.

## THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice To Shareholders.

The Sixty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 27th March, 1936, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1935.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 13th to the 27th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers, The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Hongkong, 6th March, 1936.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 2nd March to the 12th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1936.

Order of the Board, W. L. MCKENZIE, Secretary.

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## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

### LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters, Mar. 9, Mar. 10.

### British Government Securities

War Loan 3½% redm. after 1952 £100% £100%

### Chinese Bonds

4½% Bonds 1898 (Eng. Ins.) £103 £103

4½% Loan 1908 £88½ £88½

5% Loan 1912 £82½ £82½

5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Ins.) £93½ £93

5% Gold Bonds 1925-47 £95½ £95½

5% Shai-Nanking Rly. £72½ £72½

5% Tient-Pukow Rly. £49 £49

5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Ldn.) £46 £46

5% Honan Rly. £34 £34

5% Hukwang Rly. £49 £49

5% Lung Tsing U. Rly. £30 £29

### Foreign Bonds and Banks

German 7½ Int. Loan 1924 £56½ £56½

Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1924 £78½ £78

Japan 6% Sterling Loan 1924 £88½ £88

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Chinese Eng. and 11/6 11/6

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Distillers 99/- 99/-

Dunlop Rubber 39/- 38/6

Marika & Spencer 96/3 96/3

General Electric (England) 77/6 76/6

Hawker Aircraft 39/9 31/-

Impl. Chem. Ind. 39/10½ 39/9

O.K. Bazaars 47/6 46/3

Impl. Tobacco 152/6 151/10½

Halls Boyce 172/6 171/3

Shai Elec. Constr. 48/- 46/-

Tate & Lyle 88/9 86/9

Turner & Newall 77/6 75/3

United Steel 33/1½ 33/9

Vickers ord. 25/- 25/7½

Galvanneal 154/6 153/9

Woolworths 120/- 120/-

### Miscellaneous

Anglo-Dutch 28/3 28/-

Guthrie 27/6 27/6

Rubber 2/- 2/-

Pekin Synd. 32/3 32/-

Rubber Trusts 9/9 9/7½

Burma Corp. 0/9 0/9

Commonwealth 52/3 52/-

Randfontein 11/1½ 11/-

Estates 43/9 43/9

Cammell, Laird ord. 241/3 240/-

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Straits and Europe via Negap. (Letters only) London, 13th February and Air Mail ex "K. L. M. Service" Amsterdam, 29th February. Muiam ..... March 12.

U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 21st February). Pres. Coolidge ..... March 12.

Manila and Europe via Siberia (London, 13th February). Pres. Coolidge ..... March 12.

Amoy, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai (San Francisco, 14th February). Pres. Adams ..... March 13.

Manila ..... March 13.

Japan and Shanghai ..... March 13.

Manila ..... March 13.

Japan ..... March 13.

London Parcels—London, 6th February. Monestheus ..... March 15.

Japan and Shanghai ..... March 15.

### OUTWARD MAILS

For Per Date and Time

Swatow ..... Wednesday. Haining ..... Wed., Mar. 11, 3 p.m.

Amoy, Shanghai and ..... Tsinan ..... Wed., Mar. 11, 3.30 p.m.

Siberia ..... Thursday.

Swatow ..... Nowchwang Thurs., Mar. 12, 8.30 a.m.

Manila ..... Emp. of Asia Thurs., Mar. 12, 3.30 p.m.

Manila ..... Pres. Coolidge Thurs., Mar. 12, 5 p.m.

Friday.

Manila, Australia and New Zealand Taiping ..... Fri., Mar. 13, via Thursday Island. Parcels, ..... Mar. 12, 5 p.m.

(Due Thursday Island, 24th March). Reg., ..... Mar. 13, 8.45 a.m.

Sandakan ..... Letters, ..... Mar. 13, 9.30 a.m.





Jean Harlow will be seen at the King's Theatre, starting next Sunday in "RIFFRAFF", a dramatic story of the waterfront. As Hail, whose hardboiled exterior masks the softness beneath, Miss Harlow abandons her famed platinum tresses for the first time since her celebrated portrayal of "Red Headed Woman," and once again appears as a brunette. Spencer Tracy is the leading man in "Riffraff", and the supporting cast features Una Merkel and Joseph Calleia.

## CINEMA NOTES

Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray, who met with such wide favour as a light romantic team in their first Paramount picture, "The Gilded Lily," are brought together again in the new-comedy-romance, "The Bride Comes Home," next attraction at the Queen's Theatre. "The Bride Comes Home" is an original story written especially for Miss Colbert by Claude Binyon and though it resembles "The Gilded Lily" in that it treats of the problems connected with young lovers of to-day, its originality makes it one of the most amusing screen farces of the year.

### "Steamboat Round the Bend"

Volcanoes explode, nations declare war, quintuplets are born and Presidents come and go—and Will Rogers never fails to issue the crowning comment on whatever has just come to pass. Then, in a motion picture scene, a sweet little girl and a nice boy are married in a prison and Will Rogers—the shrewd, garrulous, imperturbable Rogers—chocks up, sheds tears and can't think of a thing to say! It all occurred during the filming of "Steamboat Round the Bend" which comes on Thursday to the King's Theatre. The scene was the wedding of Anne Shirley and John McGuire. Eugene Pallette, the comedy king, was performing the ceremony. When the ring, Rogers was supposed to hand it to McGuire and say, "It belonged to your mother." In the background a negro chorus was humming a doleful chant, the spiritual "The Enslaved's Rest." Suddenly the thing became too real for Rogers. There was a lump in his throat, tears were starting to his eye. He knew that if he uttered his line it would be choked and spoil the scene. So he said nothing, passed the ring with a gesture that was more eloquent than any speech. When the scene was finished no one spoke, not even the electricians. And Director John Ford reasoned that if the scene affected his case-hardened audience in that fashion, it would have a hundred times more effect in a theatre. So the scene stood, not according to the script, but infinitely more human and affecting. "Steamboat Round the Bend's" plot revolves about the romance of the two youngsters, but its comic interludes are furnished by the hilarious rivalry of Will Rogers and his old friend Irvin Cobb as competing steamboat captains. Sol M. Wurtzel produced the picture.

### "Escape Me Never"

"Escape Me Never," the film of the sensational stage hit, comes to the Star Theatre to-day with the brilliant star, Elisabeth Bergner, and many of the principals of the original London cast, including Hugh Sinclair, Earl Kenton and Griffith Jones. The Margaret Kennedy play offers the tiny Austrian actress, who was last seen by film fans in the title role of "Catherine the Great," her finest and most lovable role as Gemma Jones, the little wife who is found wandering about Venice half starving and given shelter by Sebastian Sanger, a penniless young composer. Paul Cezanne, Miss Bergner's brilliant director-husband, directed "Escape Me Never," which like "Catherine the Great" was released through United Artists. Carl Zuckmayer wrote the screen play for this B. & D. production. Others prominent in the cast are Irene Vanbrugh, Penelope Dudley-Ward, Lyn Harding and Rosalinde Fuller.

### "The Irish in Us"

Everyone who goes to the movies—and everyone does—knows that James Cagney, Pat O'Brien and Frank McHugh would make any picture interesting. Their work in "Here Comes The Navy" and "Devil Dogs of the Air" established them as a trio, after each had reached a high place among screen luminaries as individual stars. And now Warner Bros. have given these stars a story, "The Irish in Us," that revolves around the lives of members of a New York family having its root in Ireland. Because it is a picture of Irish life in New York, it jumps from tears to laughter, from bitter family brawls to evidences of brotherly love, from romance to drama, from thrilling action to robust humour. Mary Gordon, as the Irish mother of the three stars, is the middle-aged unknown who, a year ago, was cooking in a Hollywood restaurant, and who had occasionally been used as an extra in the movies. The love interest centres around Olivia de Havilland, a beautiful newcomer. Allen Jenkins as a broken down pugilist turns in the best acting of his successful career. Others who does excellent work are J. Farrell MacDonald and Thomas Jackson. Harry Parry, former Pacific Coast champion was Cagney's opponent in the ring battle. Lloyd Bacon, who was one of the 21 people of Irish descent connected with the picture, including the three stars, directed. "The Irish in Us," opening today at the Queen's Theatre, is one picture that should be marked as "must be seen."

### "Your Uncle Dudley"

With all the whimsy, pathos and genuine comedy at his command, Edward Everett Horton renders a portrait of a small town hero who had to take a number of kicks to get wise to himself in "Your Uncle Dudley," the romantic comedy now at the King's Theatre. Starred in the title role, Horton plays the part of a man who has a pathetic weakness for silver-loving cups and banquets. Lois Wilson, who has persisted in loving him for many years, doesn't like the way things are but hopes for a change. It comes when Horton's parasitic sister demands that he return money loaned him years before and when friends turn deaf ears to his pleas for a touch. Horton does an about-face that startles his fellow citizens and creates a number of hilarious comedy situations and



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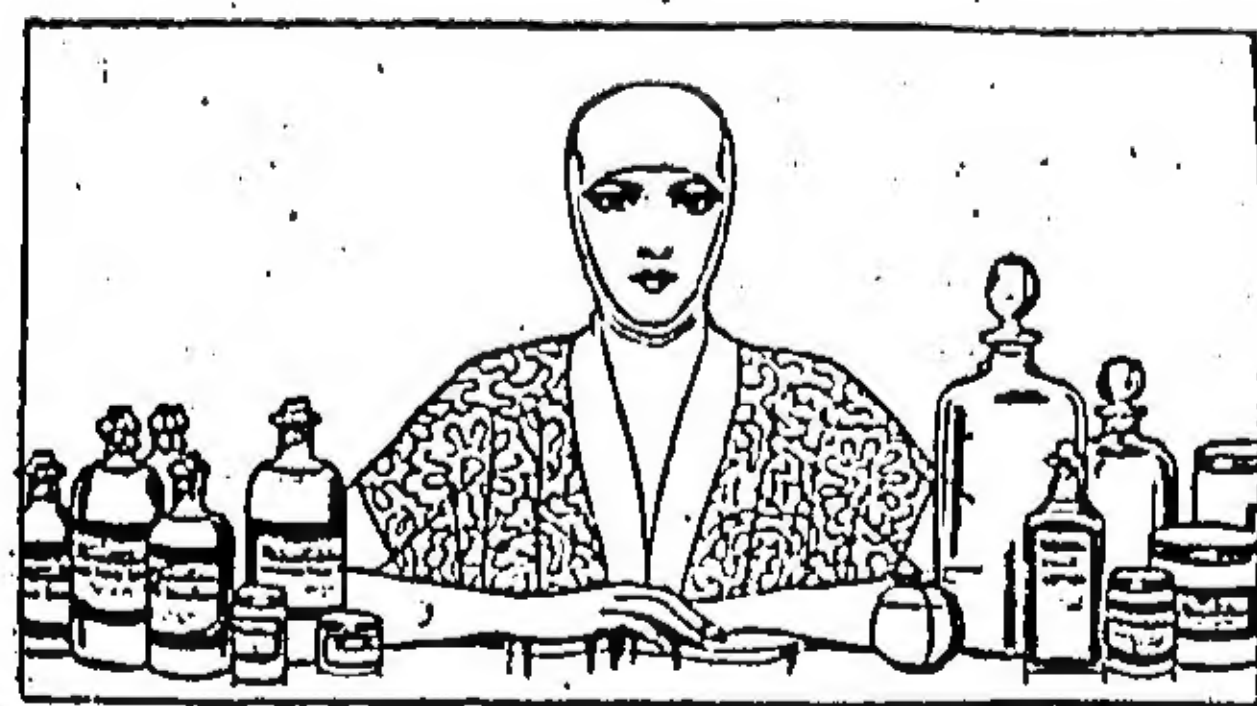
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## THE FUTURE OF THE COLONY

There is much point in the recent comment by the *Straits Times* concerning the importance of Hongkong, as an indispensable outpost of the Singapore naval base, particularly the plea that machinery be set in motion for the conclusion of an Anglo-Chinese agreement whereby the whole of the Kowloon mainland would be brought under perpetual British control. Mutual interests which bind China and Britain together dictate the desirability of such a step, and if the matter is properly handled there should be no difficulty in reaching an understanding. Actually, the only parts of the Colony ceded in perpetuity to Britain are the island and just over two square miles of the Kowloon Peninsula; the remainder, known as the New Territories, is held on 99 years' lease, of which there are just over sixty years still to run. Sir Cecil Clementi, former Governor, stressed the importance of permanent British control of the leased area in his recent address before the Royal Empire Society in London. He laid emphasis on the fact that the island and the mainland are indissolubly one. Sir Cecil appears to have had particularly in mind the necessity of permanent control of the New Territories from the standpoint of assuring the defence of the island, but doubtless he also realised the larger implications involved in the geographical position of the Colony in relation to general Empire defence. It is this aspect of the matter upon which our Singapore contemporary largely based its observations, and it is without question the one which would weigh most with the Imperial authorities. There is a suggestion, in Sir Cecil Clementi's remarks, that the issue should be adjusted as between Britain and the Canton authorities, but, slender as the ties are which link Canton with Nanking, it would appear to be essentially a matter for the Foreign Office to take up with the Central Government. Canton would, of course, come into the picture, and in view of the community of outlook and interest between the two centres, there is no reason to assume that obstacles would be encountered. In a few years' time, this Colony will be celebrating its centenary. It would therefore be most appropriate were negotiations to be set in train well in advance of that event, with a view to further cementing the relations between the two countries by the conclusion of a mutually satisfactory agreement covering the point under notice.

# A NAME THE WORLD WILL LEARN: VOROSHILOV

HE is one of the most important men in the world to-day, a man in whose hands is concentrated the greatest amount of latent force any individual has perhaps controlled since the world began. He is Klimenty Yefremovich Voroshilov, Commissar for Defence of the Soviet Union. Soviet Russia's "Cabinet," the Politburo of ten men, is one of the best-balanced and most richly endowed governmental juntas of modern times. In that vastly powerful inner council there are no passengers. But authority is not by any means equally distributed among its members, and by general consent three men stand out—the redoubtable Stalin, the Jew Kaganovitch, an organiser of genius, and Voroshilov. The three are close personal friends who knew one another many years before the Revolution and have the utmost faith in each other's ability and loyalty.

VOROSHILOV is just over 40, a simple man, of high spirits and a powerful personal magnetism which is as difficult to analyse as it is obvious to recognise. He is easily the most popular man in Russia to-day, and his rubicund face is on every mantelpiece and poster. Lord Noel Buxton, who lately returned from a visit to Russia, has testified to the prestige of the Defence Commissar; to him it seemed that Voroshilov is regarded as Catholic countries regard those whom the Pope has canonised.

He is a crack shot and a brilliant horseman. To shoot as straight and to ride as daringly as "Klim" Voroshilov is the dream of every young Communist. The Red Army worships him, and because he tells them Stalin is good for them they swear by Joseph Stalin. When Maxim Litvinov's years of patient toil were rewarded by American recognition of the U.S.S.R., Roosevelt sent to Moscow as Ambassador the blue-blooded, polo-playing William C. Bullitt. Within a few months he had—to the dismay of Washington's Red-baiters and Tokio's sabre-rattlers—established an informal friendship with the people of Moscow unknown in any other Moscow embassy. The explanation was simple. He had arranged polo matches between his staff and Voroshilov's Red cavalry, who made up in lusty enthusiasm what they lacked in finesse. The ice was broken.

Voroshilov is a real son of the people. He has herded cattle and laboured in the mines of his native Lugansk—starting at the age of seven. He was 12 when he learnt to read, and very soon after that he was a confirmed Communist, an agitator, a rash adventurer who



By GLYN ROBERTS

would smuggle ammunition, fling a bomb or run an illicit printing press if the party ordered it. Like the rest of the "Old Guard" he "did time" in Siberia and elsewhere. At the Stockholm Congress he met Stalin and liked him. He was at Baku just before the Revolution, organising the oil workers. During the crisis and after it he served the OGPU in various capacities.

It was the desperate Crimean and Ukrainian phases of the civil war, which brought not only Voroshilov but also Stalin and Kaganovitch to prominence. The brilliant Trotsky was conjuring armies out of thin air and directing seven or eight on different fronts—from Moscow. These three, less brilliant, were on the spot where the situation was at its most critical. They did without sleep, without food, without news—but they prevailed.

Trotsky was the first War Commissar. Frunze, who succeeded him, died under an unsuccessful operation. Stalin appointed the youthful Voroshilov to succeed him. He has not been a failure. Thanks largely to him Soviet

lages from which many of its men are drawn. It is ceaselessly purged of all disruptive elements; it is trained well; it is mechanised to an extent unequalled by any other army of to-day. Russia's small but competent navy and her much-discussed air force supplement it.

This air force—which is alternately boosted to the stature of a world menace and belittled as comically obsolete by jittery observers who believe they have reason to hate or fear Soviet Russia—consists of at least 4,000 heavy bombers with a low cruising speed but great carrying power. Fokker says it is the best equipped, best manned and most up-to-date force he knows. It is carefully kept up-to-the-minute by a vast system of factories—every square foot underground—whose producing capacity is considerably greater than that of this country or Germany.

THESE three instruments, to protect Soviet Russia by air, land and sea, are directed by Klimenty Voroshilov. He has able men under him—Budenny, Tuchachevsky, Tikhonov, Blucher, Alksmiss and Eidemann. The last of these is at the head of the remarkable society, "Ossoaviakhim," which counts twenty million civilians as its members. It improves the nation's physique, arranges stupendous displays, gives practical instruction in defence against gas, and co-operates with the heads of thousands of schools.

The lessons of the civil war have not been lost on Russia's new rulers. They have organised the nation to defend its territory. All its power converges in the strong hands of Klimenty Voroshilov, who, it is rumoured, is to be given the title "Marshal of the Soviet Union."

He will appreciate the honour. But in Western Europe he has another label. They have called him "the Napoleon of Soviet Russia."

## GAMBLERS' CITY

THERE are over a million and a quarter people in Bombay, and it is safe to say there are over a million and a quarter gamblers in the city.

Children gamble with shells—"cowries." Rich men on cotton and silver and forward prices. And the vast majority of the population on the closing figure of American cotton. Every night about two o'clock the closing price of American cotton is flashed over the air. To-day it was 11.03. The gamble is on the "threes." Every speculator knows the opening figure. Yesterday it was 11.02. And the odds laid are nine to one. You can have double and trebles—on an opening, a closing and another opening; it is called "sutta" gambling—or just speculative gambling. Every coolie, mill-hand, bazaar worker, taxi-man and waiter has his bit on. Hundreds of systems are

printed and sold. Down in the bazaar vernacular papers sell by the tens of thousands with information and tips.

Every restaurant is a bookie's office. You can stand at the street corner anywhere, lay your bet and draw a "sutta" slip. It is nearly all cash betting and you could easily find takers for a lakh of rupees.

Not a day passes without a police raid or a scuffle and murders are common. The authorities are trying hard to fight the evil, but with their present powers have a hopeless task.

I set out the other night to see for myself. "What is the closing figure tonight?" I asked my driver. "Seven, sahib," he replied. "What do you think?" I asked the peon who opened the door. "Five," he replied, with a look of knowing contempt for the driver. And so it went on.

Round about two o'clock the scene was like the start of a big race. The "bookies" busily took last-minute bets, and balanced up. The crowds grew in size and excitement.

Then there is a close-down—to prevent "jobs." Suddenly in the distance I saw the crowd surge towards a corner. I could see by standing up in the car a thin, under-sized paper-boy, and flashes of white as his wares were snatched from him. "Teen," "Teen" (three) was shouted down the street. Some smiled and laughed and shouted. And most looked glum and spat.

So widespread is this last digit betting that now, during the day—when there is the long wait till the American result comes through—you see small knots of men at the street corners betting on last figure of the first taxi number-plate to pass after a certain time.

Crime is, of course, on the increase as a direct result. "So and so lost 200 rupees and the lobe of his ear," began a report of a police case the other day. There are scores of stabbing cases and murders. Fines on gaming houses are ridiculously low and only occasionally are the principals caught. Some "sutta" book-makers actually form companies with high-sounding titles like "The American Cotton Investment Co." Some just lurk at street corners and when moved on write their telephone numbers in chalk on the pavement.

With this social evil rampant it is regrettable to report that some of the socially highest in the town joined to help the Quetta Relief Fund by selling numbered programmes for a concert—and that to certain selected numbers money prizes were attached. The police said this scheme was legal—which may be one of the reasons why Bombay smiles at their efforts to put down "sutta" gambling. My hearer has just told me that to-morrow's figure is "eight." With the odds nine to one I'll risk my daily rupee.

## SIDE GLANCES. By George Clark



"I told him if he ever kept me waiting again I'd do something horrible. What do you think it ought to be?"



## WANTED: MAN TO FILL HIGHEST PAID JOB

London, Mar. 1.  
What is reckoned to be the highest paid job in the world is vacant.

This was revealed during the sittings of the British Royal Commission on the private manufacture of arms. Mr. F. C. Yapp, a director of the Vickers-Armstrong armaments firm, replying to a member of the Commission, Sir Philip Gibbs, the well-known author and former war correspondent, said his firm had nobody to succeed Sir Basil Zaharoff as their chief agent.

He added that Zaharoff was now only their agent for Spain. Sir Basil "The Mystery Man of Europe" is reckoned to be one of the wealthiest men in the world. He distributed over a million dollars to the Allied cause during the war. He financed the Monte Carlo Casino with \$5,000,000. He bought several daily papers in Greece and financed others in Europe.

Vickers war profits are said to have exceeded by far their then capital of \$67,000,000 and it is a financier's hobby to calculate Zaharoff's cut out of that. He is reported to have netted millions for his firm out of various wars, and his own fortune is said to be so colossal that it is almost impossible to compute it. There is only one man who knows how to work the world's highest paid job but he won't tell. He could tell more of Kings and conspiracies, Governments and Wars than any other man but he keeps his secrets intact.—United Press.

## GIFT OF CHERRY TREES TO CHINA



Among the cargo of the Roko Maru which arrived in Shanghai from Japan recently were several bundles of young cherry trees. The bundles contained 3,000 young trees which are the gift of the City of Tokyo to the municipalities of Nanking and Shanghai. Mr. A. Ariyoshi, retiring Japanese Ambassador to China, was responsible for inducing the Tokyo mayoralty to make this gift to Chinese cities. The young trees will be, it is understood, planted in parks in Nanking and at the Civic Centre in Shanghai.

## "Sleeping Beauty" Of Chicago

### ASLEEP FOUR YEARS

Chicago, Feb. 29.  
PATRICIA MAGUIRE, the "sleeping beauty" who has not awakened in four years, has been invited to join the religious sect which recently prayed Shirley Tapp of Detroit in and out of a six-day trance.

Patricia's mother, Mrs. Peter Milley, received a letter from Mrs. Mary Anderson, Kalamazoo, Michigan, containing newspaper articles about the Tapp girl and an offer to come to Oak Park, pray over Patricia and make her a member of the group.

Mrs. Anderson urged Mrs. Milley to "try faith and spiritual power, which can do more than any doctor can." Mrs. Milley declined Mrs. Anderson's offer as she has thousands of others which have come since her "Pat" lapsed into unconsciousness.

Since the day in 1932 when she went to bed yawning and wondering if she had "this sleeping sickness," Patricia has shown only slight improvement. Recently she has been able to follow simple instructions, such as laboriously raising a finger, and to indicate happiness or displeasure.

Her condition is diagnosed as Encephalitis Lethargica (Sleeping sickness) but physicians admit its duration, the longest in medical records, has them puzzled.

Mrs. Milley still believes that Patricia some day will awaken fully but places her trust in constant care rather than the offerings of "miracle workers."—United Press.

## WARMTH FROM STREET FIRES



Bitterly cold weather does not seem to be worrying these rickshaw coolies who, in between fares, gain a little warmth by burning old newspapers in the streets.—Staff photographer.

## DEAD MEN KEEP GUARD OVER A PIRATE HOARD

Barnstaple, Mar. 1.  
Lundy Island, in the Bristol Channel, has a "buried treasure"—as have so many other lonely islands far over the seas.

It is, of course, Pirate Gold. And the Sea and two Dead Men keep guard over it.

## Cagney Says Film Firm Overwork Him

Los Angeles, Mar. 1.

James Cagney, the film actor, has filed a suit to cancel his contract with Warner Brothers "because," he says, "I am overworked." He alleges he had to make ten pictures in 1934-35. The Superior Court has ordered Warner to show cause why they should not be restrained from interfering with Cagney's efforts to obtain other employment.—Reuter.

The treasure was collected by Captain Robert Nutt, a bold and bloodthirsty buccaner who plundered the ships of the rich merchants of Bristol in the seventeenth century.

For three years Lundy was Captain Nutt's headquarters. Then one day, when returning from a raid in the Channel, his ship, the Black Mary, was chased by two English men-of-war.

He was forced to flee, leaving his hoard behind him on Lundy, and during the chase his ship foundered off the Welsh coast with the loss of all hands.

The entrance to the cave where the treasure is hidden is on the west side of the island at the foot of a 365-foot-high cliff. The opening is on a level with the Atlantic at high tide, and within a stone's throw of all that remains of H.M.S. Montague, wrecked in 1903.

## Customs Men Seize

### 12,000 Italian

### Cauliflowers

Twelve thousand Italian cauliflowers, consigned to England from anti-sanctionist Austria, were seized by Customs men from a ferry train at Bishopsgate (L.N.E.R.) goods yard recently. It was the second seizure under the sanctions embargo. The first was a consignment of 150,000 lemons at Covent Garden, on January 25.

## MONTE CARLO STARTS TWO NEW GAMES

### INGENIOUS "DOUBLE ROULETTE"

Monte Carlo, Mar. 1.

Monte Carlo Casino has suddenly introduced two new games, for which picked croupiers have been undergoing a strenuous training for months.

The first is known as "Double Roulette". It is an ingenious combination of two roulette wheels in one, and the highest odds possible are no less than 1,200 to 1, as against 35 to 1 in ordinary roulette.

A small wheel is fitted inside a larger one, and they both revolve in the same direction but at different speeds. An ivory ball is thrown, as in ordinary roulette, and falls into a numbered recess in the smaller wheel.

When this ceases to spin a special device automatically locks the two wheels together with their numbers facing each other.

Anyone wishing to play for the highest odds must purchase special numbered chips, and these he must stake on a number. If the ball falls into the recess bearing his number, and if the wheels are so locked that the number facing the recess is the same as that on which the numbered chip is staked, the player is paid 1,200 times the value of his stake. For a bet of 20 francs, or a little over 5s, he would receive £20, counting the exchange at 75 to the £1.

Play on combinations of numbers is allowed, that is, on 2, 3, 4, or 6 combinations, the odds being respectively 280 to 1, 120 to 1, 64 to 1, and 25 to 1.

The game is evidently somewhat complicated for the beginner, but printed rules are handed to all interested, and it is hardly necessary to add that it is carried out with the utmost mathematical and scientific precision. At present it is to be seen only at the International Sporting Club.

### AEROPLANE GAME

The other innovation, for the moment confined to the Casino, is apparently for those visitors who do not take their gambling too seriously. It is known as "Les Petites Avions," obviously a modern development of "Les Petites Chevaux."

In the centre of a large hexagonal glass case, balanced around an upright mast, are 17 little model aeroplanes, each bearing a number. They are made to revolve independently by means of a small electric motor, and the one which stops nearest to the finishing point is the winner.

According to the chance chosen it is possible to win anything up to 15 times one's stake. The machine is a master piece of mechanical ingenuity.

## Married Corpse Of Dead Bride

Nanking, Mar. 1.

Marriage of an 18 year old youth to the corpse of his fiancée, who had died of influenza, recently attracted thousands of onlookers to the town of Wuh-sing, near here.

The couple had been betrothed since before birth, in accordance with Chinese tradition, but in contrast with a majority of such engagements, were said to have been deeply in love since childhood. When the girl died suddenly, the youth threatened to commit suicide unless he were married to the girl's spirit. To this the elders of the two families readily agreed.

The wedding ceremony was performed according to all the ancient Chinese rites. Prior to the wedding the coffin of the girl was moved from her own home to that of the groom, decorated in red and gold, the traditional colours of the wedding sedan-chair. The bridegroom went through the elaborate ritual by himself, holding a tablet bearing the girl's name to represent her part in the ceremony. Afterward the bridegroom proclaimed his great happiness, and said that since he believed in monogamy, he would not marry again for the rest of his life.—United Press.

## Penniless When

### Jailed, He Comes Out With £5,000

Arthur Page was penniless when he entered Auburn (New York) Prison.

He has just been released a comparatively rich man.

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The State has banked \$5,000 in his name as compensation.

## RADIO BROADCAST

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### STUDIO RECITAL

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 365 metres (845 kilocycles):  
6-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.  
6-6.30 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

7-7.17 p.m. "Petit Suite de Concert" (No. 1) (Columbia-Taylor).

7-7.30 p.m. Four Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone): 1. Star O' Robbie Burns (Booth); 2. The Auld House (Nairne); 3. The Winding Road (Andrew); 4. The Man in the Street (Longstaffe).

7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio.  
A Violin and Pianoforte Recital by Jose Radecky and Mona Maclean.

Programme  
1. Waltz—Unrequited Love.... Lincke; 2. Song—Over the Rim of the Moon.... Head; 3. Violin Solo—Meditation.... Massenet; 4. Old and New Melodies....  
8 p.m. Time and Weather Report.  
8.03-8.30 p.m. Light Orchestral Music.

Naila Waltz (Delibes); Mors et Vita—Judea (Gounod); A Life on the Ocean (Blind); Blue Roses—Selection (Bills); Folly to be Wise—Selection.

8.30-9 p.m. Variety—Vocal Items.

My Gal Sal. "Ida" Sweet as Apple Cider.... The Mills Brothers; Lovely to Look At. When I grow too old to Dream.... Irene Dunne (Soprano); Musical Comedy Requests.... Lew Allen and his Canadian Bachelors; I had a Million Dollars. Rock and Roll.... The Boswell Sisters; Whenever I think of you.... Leslie Hutchinson.

9-9.15 p.m. Vocal Gems by the Light Opera Company.

1. New Moon (Romberg); 2. Peggy Ann (Rodgers).

9.15-9.30 p.m. Davenport News Bulletin.

9.30-9.50 p.m. Concert Waltzes by Marek Weber and his Orchestra.

Dunabo Waves (Ivanovici); Artist's Life—Waltz (Strauss); Tales of Autumn (Waldteufel); Dream Waltz (Milkocker); Maidens of Baden (Komzak).

9.50-10 p.m. "Mr. Whittington"—Selection by Jack Buchanan and Elsie Randolph with Carroll Gibbons and his Boy Friends.

10 p.m. Big Ben.

10-11 p.m. From the Studio.

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11 p.m. Close Down.

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2.15 p.m. Big Ben.

2.35 p.m. An Organ Recital by Berkeley.

4.5 p.m. Free Reading.

Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.

4.30 p.m. The Composer at the Piano—61 Michael Head. A recital of Michael Head's songs.

4.45 p.m. The Haunted House! Part 2.

5 p.m. The News.

5.15 p.m. Close down.

### Transmission 2

(G.S.J., G.S.G.)

9 p.m. Big Ben. Variety: "How's That?"

7.45 p.m. A Pianoforte Recital.

7.55 p.m. Talk: "The Conquest of the Alps."

Greenwich Time Signal at 8 p.m.

8.15 p.m. The H.J.C. Empire Orchestra.

8.30 p.m. The News.

8.45 p.m. A Programme of Hunting Songs.

9.45 p.m. Close down.

### Transmission 3

(G.S.G., G.S.E.)

10 p.m. Big Ben. The D.B.C. Dance Orchestra.

10.25 p.m. Talk: "A Countryman's Diary."

10.50 p.m. The Composer at the Piano—51 Armstrong Gibbs. A recital of Armstrong Gibbs' songs.

11.15 p.m. The Portsmouth Municipal Orchestra.

Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.

12.35 a.m. The News.

12.45 a.m. Jan Berenka and his Orchestra.

1 a.m. Close down.

## U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

### LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

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	Mar. 9.	Mar. 10.	Mar. 11.
March	11.27	11.30/31	
May	10.84	10.87/88	
July	10.53	10.57/57	
October	10.19	10.24/25	
December	10.17	10.23/23	
January	10.20	10.28/28	
Spot	11.32	11.35	

New York Rubber			
	Mar. 9.	Mar. 10.	Mar. 11.
March	15.81	15.94/94	
May	15.89	16.05	
July	15.97	16.11/12	
September	16.03	16.21/21	
December	16.24	16.34/35	
Total sales:		110 lots.	

Chicago Wheat			
	Mar. 9.	Mar. 10.	Mar. 11.
May	89	89 1/4/89 1/4	
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July	60%	60 1/4/60 1/4	
Winnipeg Wheat			
	Mar. 9.	Mar. 10.	Mar. 11.
May	84	84 1/4/84 1/4	
July	85	85 1/4/85 1/4	
October	85 1/2	85 1/2/85 1/2	
New York Silk			
	Mar. 9.	Mar. 10.	Mar. 11.
March	1.62 1/2	1.61 1/4/1.61 1/4	
May	1.58 1/2	1.58 1/4/1.58 1/4	
July	1.57 1/2	1.56 1/4/1.56 1/4	

The many friends of Comm. A. Bianconi, Italian Consul General, will be glad to know that he is progressing satisfactorily from the operation he underwent on Monday at the Canossa Hospital.

A Dinner Dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel to-night at 8.30 p.m.



# ELIOT HALL'S BADMINTON TEAM FOR SHANGHAI

## TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

### LEONARD IS STILL IMPROVING

#### LEARNS VALUABLE LESSONS

(By "Veritas")

J. W. Leonard is a tennis player who learns valuable lessons from match play experience and does not hesitate to appropriate them, which is one reason why he scored such a comfortable entry into the second round of the open singles championship yesterday at the expense of A. L. Sullivan, one-time a leading exponent of the game in Shanghai.

Leonard, naturally a meticulous player, has discovered that attendance and the ability to keep the ball in play will more likely beat the average player in Hongkong than spectacular "firework." He employed these tactics against Sullivan with pronounced success.

Not that the match was simply an exhibition of pat-ball; both players hit reasonably hard—Sullivan the harder of the two—but Leonard's impenetrable defence and his consistently good return of the ball lured Sullivan into errors and piled up points for the winner.

Sullivan tried hard to make effective his variety of shots, but these days they do not carry with them the same element of surprise, neither are they so impeccable either in length or direction. Leonard found little difficulty in anticipating them and covering the court to return them with interest.

Both players carried out smart manoeuvres and for the most part the match was a battle of wits. It says much for the improvement made by Leonard that he deservedly carried off the honours.

#### SCOOONES HARD PRESSED

After Leonard had polished off Sullivan most of the spectators moved over to the No. 1 court to watch youthful Warwick Shute take P. H. Scoones the full distance. Unhappily the match started late and with the overcast sky and threatening rain the conditions were far from ideal. In fact the final set was played in light which was unfair to both players.

Shute, bringing his energetic topspin forehand drive into full force walked away with the first set, his opponent being right out of touch. During this period Shute played with the confidence and aggressiveness of a "veteran" match player and looked good for a surprise victory.

But he tired rather rapidly during the second set and Scoones, at last capturing control over his shots, proceeded to outdrive and out-volley the schoolboy.

It was an entertaining match though one wished it could have been played under better conditions. Once Scoones had invested his strokes with confidence the ultimate result was hardly in doubt. In the third set, despite bad light, the winner raised the net and young Warwick, chiefly I think through physical tiredness, could not pull out a shot to pass his opponent, who scored consistently with angled volleys and decisive "kills".

The remainder of the programme went according to general expectation.

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## Includes Five Senior Team Players

### Our Daily Golf Hint

Golf teaches a mental poise that enables one to take both the good and the bad without complaint; but correct thinking and acting can often turn bad into good.—*Jack Hoag.*

### Five-Year Plan For Football

#### STARTLING IDEA SUGGESTED

(By W. Capel Kirby)

"Points ruin football! It would be a great game without them," remarked the director-who-matters of a famous club. He referred to it as "S O S football."

"What do you suggest as the remedy?" I asked. "Call a truce, and institute a five-year plan," he replied. In brief, his idea is to do away with the spoiling game by cutting out promotion and relegation for five seasons.

What do you think of the idea? Do not forget the danger of stagnation and smug complacency which a sense of security fosters.

There is one other way to stop this safety-first business, and that is to encourage the visiting team to play more open football and keep the ball within the boundary lines.

It is to award three points for an "away" win. Then, I suppose, the home side would exploit the kicking-out and goal-kicking tricks. No, perhaps the five-year-plan is the best, after all.

I know some teams who, when visiting, travel with definite instructions to play a spoiling game. "A" point will suit us very nicely," they say.

Unfortunately, I have seen too many matches of that variety recently.

#### FANLING MEETING

##### St. John Ambulance Cup Contest

A reminder is issued that the St. John Ambulance Cup will be contested at the meeting of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club on April 5. Tickets Nos. 36801-36950, previously reported as lost, have been found and returned to the St. John Ambulance Headquarters. These tickets are now on sale and will be included in the draw on April 5.

### AND THREE FROM THE "B"

#### Two Matches Scheduled

(By "Veritas")

Eliot Hall's badminton team to play against the Cercle Sportif Francais and a selected Shanghai combination in Shanghai on April 4 and 5 will be composed of five players drawn from the "A" team and three from the "B".

Arrangements for Eliot Hall's visit to the North have now been finalised, their badminton programme being:

April 4.—versus Cercle Sportif Francais at the French Club. All doubles, each game of 15 points up.

April 5.—versus Shanghai representative team, a series of games including singles and doubles.

The team, accompanied by about ten other members of Eliot Hall, will leave Hongkong by the s.s. Takung on March 29, and will return on April 13.

#### THE PLAYERS

The following are the eight badminton players who will represent the Hall in Shanghai:

Lee Cheng-ong ("A" team)  
Lee Thean-chiu ("A" team)  
Chan Peng-kok ("A" team)  
Lee Kuan-yew ("A" team)  
Tan Pek-ean ("B" team)  
Soon Cheng-hoe ("B" team)  
Liew Keng-song ("A" team)  
Tye So-chong ("B" team)

Lee Cheng-ong is going as captain of the team, but the first string doubles will be Lee Thean-chiu and Chan Peng-kok. Eliot Hall's leading players. The rest of the doubles combinations have not yet been settled.

In the singles the visitors will be represented by Lee Thean-chiu, Chan Peng-kok and Liew Keng-song.

#### SHANGHAI TEAMS UNKNOWN

Neither the French Club team nor the representative Shanghai line-up is known here locally at the present, but in view of the generous reports sent to Shanghai by visitors from the northern port to Hongkong, it is quite likely the hosts will turn out strong teams.

Recently Gordon Lum, himself a Shanghai player, said he considered the Eliot Hall players as good as the average in Shanghai, though he did not think they would be able to do so well.

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### BIG BADMINTON MATCH

#### TEAMS AT FULL STRENGTH

##### ELIOT HALL "A" V. RECREIO

(By "Veritas")

Both Eliot Hall "A" and Recreio "A" hope to turn out full strength teams for their epic badminton match at the University Hotel this evening.

Although this match will not necessarily decide the men's doubles championship, it will provide an important pointer. Eliot Hall naturally are favourites as they are playing on their own court which is so vastly different to that of the Recreio, that the visitors are bound to find themselves somewhat handicapped.

Eliot Hall will probably win tonight, but to them it will be more important to see how easy or how difficult is the accomplishment, for they have yet to visit Club de Recreio. From to-night's match they will be able to form some opinion as to their prospects at Kings' Park.

The teams will probably be as follows:

Eliot Hall "A"—T. C. Lee and P. K. Chan; C. O. Lee and C. S. Heng; K. S. Liew and K. Y. Lee.  
Recreio "A"—M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios; L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva; H. A. Alves and E. Sousa.

The full programme for this evening is:

St. Andrew's "A" v. Eliot Hall "B"  
V.R.C. v. St. John's  
Recreio "B" v. Kowloon Tong  
Eliot Hall "A" v. Recreio "A"

#### MIXED DOUBLES

##### FIRE BRIGADE WIN EASILY

Fire Brigade and St. Andrew's played off their postponed mixed doubles badminton match last night at Police Headquarters, when the home team won by the convincing margin of nine games to love.

St. Andrew's offered rather disappointing opposition in view of their fairly good form just recently and were expected to give the Brigade a closer run for the points.

#### THE DETAILLED SCORES FOLLOW:

FIRE BRIGADE v. ST. ANDREW'S  
E. L. Shute and Mrs. Shute (Fire Brigade) beat R. H. Wong and Mrs. Dawson 21-0; best E. F. Fincher and Miss M. Churn 21-11; best M. Weill and Miss F. Wong 21-4; J. L. Anderson and Miss M. Griffiths (Fire Brigade) beat W. H. S. and Mrs. S. 21-0; best Fincher and Churn 21-10; best Weill and Wong 21-13.  
A. L. Fisher and Mrs. Kirkwood (Fire Brigade) beat Wong and Dawson 21-10; best Fincher and Churn 21-15; best Weill and Wong 21-0.

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Fire Brigade	13	11	2	95	24	22
C.R.C.	12	11	1	85	23	22
Recreio "A"	9	8	1	60	12	10
Recreio "B"	11	6	5	60	39	12
St. John's	12	6	0	62	68	12
St. Andrew's	11	5	0	42	57	10
Kowloon Tong	14	3	1	40	81	6
Talkoo	10	2	1	21	69	9
S. and S. Home	12	0	12	18	90	0

#### REFEREES PUZZLED

##### What Is Minimum Number Of Players In A Team?

The Referees' Committee has been asked by the Sheffield and Hallamshire F.A. to give a ruling upon the following subject, the Referees' Committee in turn appealing to the English F.A. for a decision.

"In a junior match one of the teams was asked to field only five players. As the referee considered that the number against a full team would make the game farcical, he refused to allow the game to be started. What is the least number of players with which a referee would be justified in starting a match?"

The Referees' Committee replied that the referee should postpone a match and report the facts to the secretary of the competition when, in his opinion, the game would lose its proper character if contested by too small a number of players.

Arising out of this the Referees' Committee may raise the question as to the minimum number of players who should be permitted to take part in a match.



SPRING IS HERE! TRA-LA!—or so one would think by this study taken yesterday during the Police v. Fusiliers football match. A red hot attack on Police goal produced this display of energy by Gough and others. (Photo: Mae Cheong.)

### OSMUND'S BREAK

#### Best Yet In Championship

A. J. Osmund, potential winner of the Hongkong Billiards Championship, scored nearly twice as fast as M. M. da Silva, the Macao champion when they met last night in the semi-final of the senior championship of the Colony.

Osmund went to his points (750) when Silva stood at 415. The winner contented himself with consistent breaks and concentrated chiefly on his excellent break of 137, the highest to date in the tournament.

He was decidedly "unlucky" to lose the white ball at 104 but he proceeded to score 33 off the red before breaking down. Osmund also helped himself to a couple of half century breaks and quite a number in the thirties.

#### KITCHELL IN FINAL

A. Kitchell reached the final of the junior championship by beating E. A. V. Remedios early yesterday evening by 400 points to 372. Kitchell, retaining an early lead managed to ward off a determined challenge by Remedios. A nicely-completed break of 29 gave him a useful advantage over his opponent.

#### THE FINALS

The finalists in both tournaments are now known. This evening at 5.30 the first of the two matches will be played when A. Kitchell meets Y. T. Yung. It is certain to be a very entertaining game, the players being very well matched.

To-morrow the climax to a highly successful competition will be reached at the Club Lusitano when A. J. Osmund and W. Hong Sling contest the senior final. This encounter is 1,000 points up spread over two sessions of 500 points each. Those who have not yet booked their seats for this match should do so immediately, either at Messrs. Gando, Price & Co. Ltd. or at the Club Lusitano. If both contestants play up to form this match will provide the most spectacular billiards seen in the Colony for many years.

### BOWLING GREEN CLUB

#### NEW PRESIDENT

At the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Bowling Green Club held at the Club House yesterday evening, Mr. L. Guy was elected President for the ensuing year. The election was made on the proposal of Mr. W. E. Hale, who said that Mr. Guy had rendered yeoman service to the Club in many respects, and had previously occupied the post. The proposal was seconded by Mr. W. S. Drake and carried with acclamation.

Mr. Hale, President, was in the chair and was supported by Messrs. D. W. Waterton (Hon. Secretary), J. L. Tetley (Hon. Treasurer), L. Guy, F. L. Rapley, E. W. Gardiner,

### POLICE HELD TO A DRAW

#### AFFECTS TITLE HOPES

##### LEAGUE SOCCER YESTERDAY

Although Police by virtue of their drawn match yesterday with the Royal Welch Fusiliers, retain the leadership of the first division of the Hongkong Football League, they gallantly assisted the cause of "S.O.S. China" by failing to garner both points.

The result was well in accordance with the run of the play. Police were on top in the first half and positions were reversed after the interval. If anything the soldiers were a trifle unlucky not to obtain the odd goal and the two points. Had they made the positional changes earlier this night well have resulted.

The game, played at Kowloon, boasted patches of really bright football. Police attack was continually enterprising, and once Talbot had moved into the forward line the same can be said of the Fusiliers.

#### NORTH WITHOUT A PEER

North played a splendid game at right half for the Police and had no peer among the half backs, while Kenting was the ablest full back on view. The Police intermediates impressed somewhat more than did the Fusiliers, who suffered from the effects of poor first half football by Talbot. When Wanklyn moved over to the pivotal berth there was an immediate improvement in the soldiers' middle line.

Conkley, and later on Talbot were live wires in the Welsh attack, while Police were cleverly led by Johnson. McInardy figured prominently in the Police goal and had rather more to do than Rowlands, his opposite number, who, however, showed smartness during the first half.

Police took the lead following a fine movement initiated by North, who transferred to Brooks. The left wing put the ball right across the field and Tommy Pile (making a welcome reappearance on the right wing) dashed in to beat Rowlands with a shot from an acute angle. Police held on to the slight advantage until the interval, ten minutes after which Conkley scored with a glorious drive.

Police went further ahead when Johnson netted in typical fashion, but the lead was short-lived, a foul in the penalty area permitting Talbot to equalise with ease.

After this Police were strictly on the defensive and the goal suffered a

J. G. Meyer and M. Henderson, members of the Committee.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election of officers resulted as follows: President—Mr. L. Guy; Vice-President—Mr. T. F. Bradford; Hon. Secretary—Mr. J. G. Meyer; Hon. Treasurer—Mr. R. P. Morris; General Committee: Messrs. G. E. F. Thompson, R. Hall, J. B. Sturgeon, D. Wylie, G. H. Sheriff, J. E. Hanson, F. L. Rapley, with the President; Vice-President, Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer ex-officio. Balloting Committee: Messrs. M. J. Henderson, H. F. Stoneham, K. C. Hamilton, J. C. Gill, S. A. Bright and C. Hatt.

### REFEREES RESENT INQUEST RIDER

#### Inquiry To Be Made

After a protracted inquest on James Thorpe (22), the Sunderland goalkeeper, who died on Feb. 5, a few days after the match against Chelsea at Roker Park in which he was injured, the jury found that:

Death was due to diabetes, accelerated by the rough usage he received in the game, and that the referee was very lax in his control.

They added as a rider:

"We urge the Board of Management of the F.A. to instruct all referees that they must exercise stricter control over the players so as to eliminate as far as possible any further accidents."

#### REFEREE'S RIGHT TO EXPLAIN

##### League To Hold Full Inquiry

Mr. J. McKenna, Liverpool, the president of the Management Committee of the Football League, said that he was greatly surprised the referee was not asked to give evidence.

"The jury had not heard the referee's explanation or side of the case," he went on. "Until the referee has given his version it is impossible to say anything."

"I am not surprised at the jury asking for an inquiry into such a serious accident, and I can say that there will undoubtedly be a full inquiry at our next meeting. In view of what was said at Sunderland it would not be fair to the referee for him to go on to the field until there has been a full inquiry and the whole circumstances have been brought out."

Mr. Ernest H. Spiers, Bournemouth, President of the Referees' Association, expressed surprise at the jury's rider, that he was greatly surprised the referee was not asked to give evidence.

"Rulings in connection with play in the goalmouth are one of the most difficult parts of refereeing."

series of narrow escapes, the wood-work being struck more than once.

#### LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
H.K. Police	18	11	0	3	51	20	20
S. China "A"	15	12	0	3	53	20	24
R.W. Fusiliers	18	6	7	3	38	23	23
Chinese Ath.	15	7	6	2	25	15	20
S. China "B"	14	6	7	1	27	18	10
H.K.F.C.	10	8	3	6	38	26	10
R.U. Rifles	18	0	0	8	38	10	18
St. Joseph's	19	8	0	9	50	45	13
Royal Navy	14	7	0	7	33	34	14
East Lancs	14	0	2	0	28	28	14
Recreio	10	5	4	7	26	27	14
Kowloon F.C.	10	4	1	11	25	37	0
R.A. Lyemun	10	2	2	12	25	43	0
R.A. Scutters	10	1	2	16	16	52	4

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## YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AND TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

## Courts Likely To Be Very Soft

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After leaving Wellesley, Kay Brannan becomes Chick Brannan's advertising assistant, then enters into a mad round of safety, confiding to her roommate, Genevieve, that she will never return to the uneventful town of Carvel. She sees a great deal of Dana Ripley, although she is not "the marrying kind." Genevieve lectures Kay about her thinking and partying and Kay is penitent. But when Chick takes her with neglecting her job she quits in a fury and goes on a yachting party with Dana. Once there, he attempts to make violent love to her. She escapes in a passing rowboat manned by reckless Bob Dinkin, a medical doctor, engaged to Genevieve. Mysteriously he insists that they are married. Kay weeps piteously, but he carries her out of the car.

## CHAPTER XIV

Half an hour later they were racing toward Boston again. Kay rigid and silent, Bob steady at the wheel. They had not spoken since they left Milton. Green was hard on Bob. He swore at him off the road, caught the car just in time, and she guessed that he had for an instant gone to sleep. The thought did not penetrate to her dulled emotions. She was sunk in a great indifference. But she drove more slowly, then faster, as the road ahead. It lurched down the meadow at diminishing speed; it bounded and slid and toppled over a steep bank, stayed miraculously right side up. It plunged through alders till the front wheels stopped hub-deep in the border of the stream. Water rose splashing, lashed around them, fell and was still. The alders closed behind them.

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Kay shivered. Bob looked around and grinned. His head nodded. "And so to hell!" he muttered unwarily; and almost instantly he was asleep.

Kay curled shivering beside him, too tired to move.

Kay wore a thin evening gown, and she had no wrap; but the night had been warm enough. Now, however, there was a damp dawn chill in the air, and a small wind blew. She huddled down in the seat, but the better shuddered from this wind, and tried to think what she should do; and presently she slept. By and by the sun rose, somewhere behind them. They were under the brow of a steep bank beside the stream, and so in shadow; but the direct sunlight did descend the opposite slope till it reached the further bank, where two cows came down to drink, and saw the car and stared in a long attention till they decided at last to be alarmed. They turned then at a lurching run and stumbled away up the slope.

The front wheels of the car were in water, which flowed smooth and black. The stream just here may have been ten or fifteen yards wide, fringed with alders on this side and on the other save at that one spot directly opposite where the cows had come to drink, and where the car was crumpled and wrecked, and she sat up straight and looked around, appraising her surroundings with weary eyes. There was not much to see; no more than the quiet stream, and the alders, and behind the car the bank which hid the form of the car.

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"I'm Kay Brannan," she told him. He considered thoughtfully. "Oh yes," he assented. "I've heard of you. You live with Genevieve, don't you? Work for Chick Brannan?" His eyes twinkled faintly. "Good morning, Miss Brannan," he said. "Good morning!"

"Now go on from there," he urged. She made no further move to leave him, and he opened the door of the car. "Sit down and tell me the latest from the front," he suggested. "I'll have to get someone to pull us out of here by and by, but I'd like to get my bearings first."

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was hidden by the tree trunk and by intervening underbrush from cars passing along the road.

But there were not many passing. It was still so early in the morning. The sun had not yet climbed high enough to touch the car, nor did the light stream below her here.

She leaned forward, her head between her knees, her neck muscles relaxed, and kneaded the back of her neck with her finger tips, trying to relieve the congestion there. By and by the sun touched the bright work of the car, and she looked up, startled and nearer Bob; it gleamed on the rear-view mirror, reflecting brightly on his countenance. Kay rose and descended the bank again, and stood on the running board, reaching in to adjust the mirror so that the sun might not strike Bob's face; but her weight on the car tilted it a little, and Bob stirred, awakening. She stood still, and he groaned and muttered and smacked his lips and made a wry face and changed his position as though to get a sleep again. But after a moment his eyes opened.

When his eyes opened, they looked downward at his knees and feet; and Kay saw him stare at these, his own members with a frown of bewildered curiosity on his brow, and then he twisted and stared hard; and then he twisted his head and said "Ouch!" He lifted his hand to his neck, and raised his head, and saw her, standing on the running board, thus a little above him.

He looked up at her for a long time. His eyes met her pale countenance to survey the car, to glance right and left and behind. He considered this situation in which he found himself with a deep attention, still without moving, like a man who wakes to find a rattler coiled on his chest and fears any motion will make the snake strike. Finally he looked at Kay again, and she tried to smile in a reassuring way, and he sat up, gingerly, groaning at his own aches and pains.

"Well, I'll bite. When do I laugh?" he asked. She shook her head, finding nothing to laugh at.

"I expect it's pretty funny to some people, but it's all a mystery to me," he told her. Kay nodded, helpfully; and he looked at her with narrowed eyes. "Maybe you can give me a rough idea," he suggested. "Where are we? What happened? What's all this shooting for?"

Kay said uncertainly: "We went off the road."

His eyes widened, something mocking in them. "No!" he protested. "Isn't this a road I see before me?" Kay shook her head. Suddenly she stepped down from the running board, as though to depart; but with a surprised, surprised quick, yet gentle too, he reached out and caught her arm.

"Hold it, sister," he urged. "Hold everything. Don't go away. You're my only link with the world, right now. Don't abandon me before you know where you're going. What happened?"

"Don't you remember?" she asked. She was trembling, her teeth chattering together.

"Now let me see," he reflected carefully. "There was" "somebody" "about a boat race, and Ed Warren's bachelor dinner, and Bud Dean and I went for a trip around the harbour, calling on friends. Lot of friends we never knew we had." He looked at her doubtfully, as though to remember that Genevieve was with him, but you're not Genevieve Means! Genevieve was not at her best, as I recall. She gave way to natorial ambitions too insistently."

Kay nodded dumbly; and panic flickered in her eyes. "Look out!" he said more gently. "You're scared. But there's nothing to be afraid of. It looks as though we had a narrow squeak, here, but we're all right now. Do I know you? Of course I do, or you wouldn't be here. Who are you, and where are you anyway?"

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"Let me be sure I've got this straight," he said, almost pleadingly. "As I remember it, we woke up this old man and he married us. Is that right?" She could not answer in words; but when he looked at her, she nodded slowly.

He continued to watch her, considering each feature of her countenance appraisingly; and at last with a sudden energy, he exclaimed: "Look here, Miss Brannan, you seem like a pretty nice sort of a girl. Genevieve says you're a great kid!" Kay shook her head, helplessly; and he rubbed his eyes with his hands, sat up straight. "Why did you let me do that?" he asked, not accusingly, but with a straight-forward curiosity. "I know I was drunk," he grinned ruefully. "Cocked as a mink. But—were you drunk too?"

"I know what we were doing," she confessed, honestly. "I wasn't too drunk for that. But the only thing I remember is a remote courtesy: 'I'm glad I've got you into a dirty mess.'"

Her colour glowed for a moment. "You're sweet to say that," she said. "But it wasn't your fault. I might have stopped it."

"Why didn't you?" he asked, not accusingly, but with an almost impersonal curiosity.

And when she did not speak, he urged again: "Get in here. No need of standing there. Get in here and sit down. We've got to face this together. I'll have to know all about it. Tell me as much as you remember, please."

She obeyed him; that is to say, she got in the car and sat beside him, looking straight ahead. "I don't suppose I can make you see," she confessed.

"Try," he urged. He said grimly: "I've done a lot of rotten things, but this tops them all. If you were Genevieve Means, I wouldn't be so sure it was my fault. She'd grab any man, if she got a chance. But you're not that kind!"

"I'm as bad as she," Kay told him, sick with self-reproach. He shook his head insistently. "No. If you were, it would show on you, as it does on Genevieve. No, you're not that kind. But—what happened, Miss Brannan? Try and tell me."

She said, half to herself: "I think I was crazy." Faced him again, resolutely honest. "But I'd do it again, right now," she admitted.

"Marry me?" he echoed in a dark amazement.

"Yes." "But why?" he insisted. "I'm not so much. I never met you before. You don't know me. Certainly you're not in love with me. And you know this sort of thing isn't good stuff. It's so hard to live down."

"I know it," she agreed. "I touched her arm. Tell me," he urged. "What's the answer?" She tried, honestly, to explain. "I don't suppose any man can understand," she said gropingly. "But—I start with my sister Emily. She came to a Wellesley, and she's wonderful, and I thought she'd do wonderful things, marry a fine man, and so on. We live in Carvel, New Hampshire. But after college she just—went home and married the grocer there. Then my father lost his job, and I had to go to work; and then I lost my job. And I was—sort of desperate! Carvel was like something terrible, hanging over me. I was ready to do anything, as long as I didn't have to go home!"

He watched her, and she said briefly: "Dana Ripley asked me down here on a yachting party, and I came. And then—I had to get in the boat. She was silent, as though this were all."

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## NEW BILL SUPPORTS SILVER

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"It is safe to say that neither our own nor the British Government has a definite financial plan, but are planning their money policies upon a twenty-four hour day."—United Press.

### THOMAS' PLAN

Washington, Mar. 10. A Bill designed to stimulate Treasury silver purchases has been introduced in the Senate by Senator Thomas, proposing the retirement of all United States notes outstanding and the issuance in exchange of an equal amount of silver certificates.

The silver purchased for this purpose would not be counted as part of the silver which the authorities purchased under the Silver Purchase Act.

Simultaneously, the proposal by the Senate Agricultural Committee, requiring Treasury purchase of at least 50,000,000 ounces monthly until a silver-gold ratio of 16 to 1, or silver stocks one-third of the gold stocks, is reached, has been favourably reported by the Committee. This proposal is sponsored by Senator Wheeler, and it represents a revival of the earlier efforts to secure free coinage of silver.

Observers are of the opinion that the Administration is not inclined to consider further silver legislation this session, as specified in the operation of the silver programme. At the same time, the split amongst the silverites appears to make impossible sufficient pressure to force legislation.—Reuter.

## BRITISH FINANCE OUTLOOK

### BIG SPURT IN REVENUE

London, Mar. 10. Receipts into the Exchequer last week, apart from self-balancing revenue, amounted to the exceptionally high total of £32,532,882, and expenditure for the week, excluding self-balancing items, was £24,540,443. The financial year ends in three weeks, and special interest attaches to the latest Treasury return, which shows on the revenue side that the total ordinary revenue for the financial year up to March 7 amounted to £600,121,420. This was £20,795,166 more than at the corresponding date of last year. The Budget estimates ordinary revenue for the full year at £734,470,000.

Extraordinary expenditure to date is £704,126,959. At the corresponding date last year, the figure was £674,714,990. The Budget estimated total ordinary expenditure for the year at £754,571,000.—British Wireless.

### HITLER DEFENDS HIS PROPOSALS

Hitler added. But he did not believe they would ever have reached the conference table. British and French statesmen who found their country in so tragic a condition as he found his would certainly have acted in the same way. The German proposals, he concluded, would render a great service to Europe and the cause of peace if they were accepted.—Reuter.

### WORLD MUST ACCEPT

Berlin, Mar. 10. The world must accept the Fuehrer's proposals; there was no other solution; they were the only proposals which could restart national economic recovery in Europe, declared Herr Paul Goebbels, Minister for Propaganda, in a broadcast speech at the opening of the election campaign to-night.

"We did not want to break the bridges with France. On the contrary we seek peace more than ever," he declared.—Reuter.

## GERMANS IN U.S. ORGANISING

### MUST BE READY FOR CONSCRIPTION

Washington, March 10. The German Government has ordered all Germans in the United States to report to their consulates for registration with a view to possible conscription.

The Germans in America will not be immediately subjected to military service, but records will be kept for emergency purposes.—Reuter.

### L.C.C. FINANCES

### HUGE SUM FOR HOUSING

London, Mar. 10. The annual estimates of income and expenditure for 1936-37 were before the London County Council to-day. They showed that a total of £31,710,890 is estimated to be required from rates. Capital commitments of the Council are estimated at £28,162,000, of which £27,705,000 is in respect of housing.—British Wireless.

## AWAITING VITAL VERDICT

### "LITTLE N.R.A." NOW BEFORE COURT

### JUDGMENT TO-DAY

Washington, Mar. 10. A decision as to whether the Roosevelt Government's "Little N.R.A." for the coal industry is constitutional will be made by the Supreme Court to-morrow, when it will hear simultaneously cases from five American States asking that the Guffey Coal Act of 1935 be upheld, on the ground that Federal Government action is the only possible way of regulating the industry.

The Court will also consider the cases of two coal companies who oppose the 15 per cent. ad valorem tax per ton imposed by the Act, the greater part of which is returned to mine-owners who comply with the code for fair competition and regulating wages and conditions drawn up by the Coal Commission. The companies argue that the tax is not a true tax, but a method of securing compliance with the "Little N.R.A." Code to be established for the industry under the Guffey Act.

If the Government wins, Bills will most likely be introduced in Congress establishing similar "Little N.R.A." for all major industries, while if it loses, it will probably be necessary to impose new taxes to make up a loss of revenue totalling £1,120,000 in 1935 and £2,400,000 in subsequent years, while the Social Security Tax, which is similarly used to persuade States to pass uniform Unemployment Insurance Acts, is likely to go the same way as the coal tax.—Reuter.

## Red Cross Unit Again Attacked

### THIRD BOMBING CONFIRMED

London, Mar. 10. Italy has diplomatically professed ignorance of the second bombing of the British Red Cross unit at Quorum, but has promised to repeat the instructions to its forces to avoid a recurrence.

This instruction was originally given when the first bombing of the Quorum unit was reported and a British protest was lodged.

It is now confirmed that a third bombing of the ambulance unit has been carried out by Italian planes, on March 6, and will probably evoke a third British protest.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

### LATE MRS. J. S. SMITH

### FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY

The funeral of the late Mrs. Annie Smith, wife of Mr. John Sanderson Smith of Messrs. Lohring and Smith, who died at the French Hospital on Monday, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon. The Rev. J. R. Hicks officiated at the graveside.

The chief mourners were the deceased's husband and her brother-in-law, Mr. A. C. Seidel. Among those present were—Mr. and Mrs. W. Paterson, Messrs. D. C. Wilson, Jack, V. C. Labrum, A. C. Wilkinson, A. C. Falls, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Pincher, Messrs. Ezra Abraham, F. Stapleton, R. Pestonji, B. Soltan, Carl Meyer, F. P. Lenfestey, R. S. Capelli, Mrs. Capelli, Miss D. Capelli, Mr. A. W. Brown, Mrs. Engel, Miss W. Engel, Messrs. G. Escher, A. G. Philippen, P. Broadbridge, C. E. Watson, H. S. Hillier, D. Parsons, J. Gibson, Mrs. L. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kew, Miss Daisy O'Keefe, Mrs. L. Dand, Mr. M. K. Bott, Mrs. Bucken, Miss P. Ankrick, Messrs. A. W. Ramsey, K. C. Lam, P. H. Leung, F. Campbell, Leung Wan-sang, Lau Sang, Chong Ping, Au Yuen-kan, Lee Wing-shui, and many others.

## ITALIAN LEMONS CONFISCATED

Bucharest, Mar. 10. Sanctions were to-day applied against five truckloads of lemons, although the fruit was marked "Imported from Greece." It was found to have come originally from Italy and was consequently confiscated.

Oranges and lemons now flooding the fruit markets are suspected to have come from Italian sources, and the Government is investigating.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

## ANTI-JEWISH RIOTING

### POLICE FIRE ON MOB IN POLAND

Warsaw, Mar. 10. Nine were killed and 19 injured in anti-Jewish rioting at Przystyk to-day. Police fired on hooligans who destroyed a hundred Jewish shops before they were brought under control.—Reuter.

## FAMOUS ADMIRAL PASSES

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Hood's battle-cruiser Invincible was sunk.

### PLUCKY FIGHT

The German Admiral Scheer had been drawn into a net, but he turned just in time and began to fight a plucky rear-guard action, his escape being aided by a haze. Scheer relied on torpedo attacks, which made Jollicoe hesitate to close with his slower opponent, as he dared not endanger the great force under his command. Beatty, on the other hand, wished to seize the chance presented of destroying the German fleet and to take any risks that might be involved. Scheer escaped partly by skilful tactics and partly owing to the fact that no news of the movements of his ships reached Jollicoe, though they were constantly encountered by British vessels on the fringes of the fleet. The boldness of Beatty and the caution of Jollicoe each have their champions and the tactics of the Battle of Jutland have been the subject of much controversy.

In Dec. 1915, Beatty succeeded Jollicoe as commander-in-chief of the Grand Fleet and received the surrender of the German Navy on Nov. 21, 1918. Raised to the peerage as Earl Beatty of the North Sea, he received the thanks of Parliament and a grant of £100,000 and was awarded the Order of Merit, G.C.B., etc. He was also made Grand Admiral and First Sea Lord, and attended the Washington Navy Disarmament Conference. Beatty retired in Apr. 1927, after a record office of 7½ years.

### JUTLAND CONTROVERSY

Admiral Harner's non-official report on the Battle of Jutland, which criticised Beatty, was held up for years during the latter's regime. When the Admiralty decided to publish a revised version, Harner said it was no longer his report and after he had retired published a book on the subject, whereupon the Admiralty on June 1, 1927, issued Harner's report in its original form. Harner claimed that the first part of the battle was a German victory, thanks to Beatty having divided his forces so that he could only engage part of them. The result was that instead of destroying the German battle-cruiser squadron, he lost two battle-cruisers and two destroyers, while Harner with half the number of ships lost only two destroyers. The situation was made worse by the non-receipt, owing to the smoke and distance, of Beatty's flag signal in the 5th Battle Squadron to alter its course. For this non-receipt Harner holds Beatty to blame.

Addressing the Navy League in Oct. 1927, Beatty declared that Britain's naval strength was insufficient to make her an attractive ally and offer her to play her part as a world power or to guarantee free passage to her ships.

In 1901 he had married a daughter of Marshall Field, son, the Chicago department store millionaire. He had two sons. In 1909 he bought Hingley Hall, Hingley, Northampton. He also had three daughters, Mrs. Gertrude Castle, Portlough, Brooklyne Hall, Leicestershire, and The Priory, Rolgate.

### R.E.O.C.A. DANCE

### BAND OF HERMES ENGAGED

For their dance on Saturday, March 14, the R.E. Old Comrades Association have secured the services of the popular dance band of the aircraft carrier Hermes. This will be the band's first appearance in public since their return to the Colony. This dance is being held in the China Fleet Club Theatre and will commence at the usual time, 8.30 p.m., but the doors will be closed at 11.30 p.m.

As the China Fleet Club Theatre has previous bookings for the next two dances, March 25 and April 11, they will be held in a smaller hall. Owing to the popularity of these dances tickets will be by invitation and if patrons have not yet entered their names in the invitation book, they are requested to forward them to the Hon. Secretary, Entertainments Committee R.E.O.C.A., Wellington Barracks.

### EXCHANGE

### TO-DAY'S OPENING QUOTATIONS

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T.T. France	4.83
T.T. Manila	6.43
T.T. Bangkok	143½
T.T. Saigon	48½
T.T. Lisbon	6.806
Buying	
4 m/s. L/C	1/4½
4 m/s. L/P	1/4½
6 m/s. L/C	1/4½
4 m/s. San Francisco & New York	33.9/10
4 m/s. France	5.08
New York-London	4.98½

### AVAILANCE TOLL

Peshawar, March 10. An avalanche occurred 150 miles north-east of Peshawar, near the Khyber Pass in which 69 persons are reported to have been killed.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

### ATTACKING EVEREST

Darjeeling, Mar. 10. Mr. Hugh Rutledge, the leader of the British Everest Expedition, with his main party, left here for Kalampong to-day, which is 120 miles from the climbers' base.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

# ALHAMBRA THEATRE

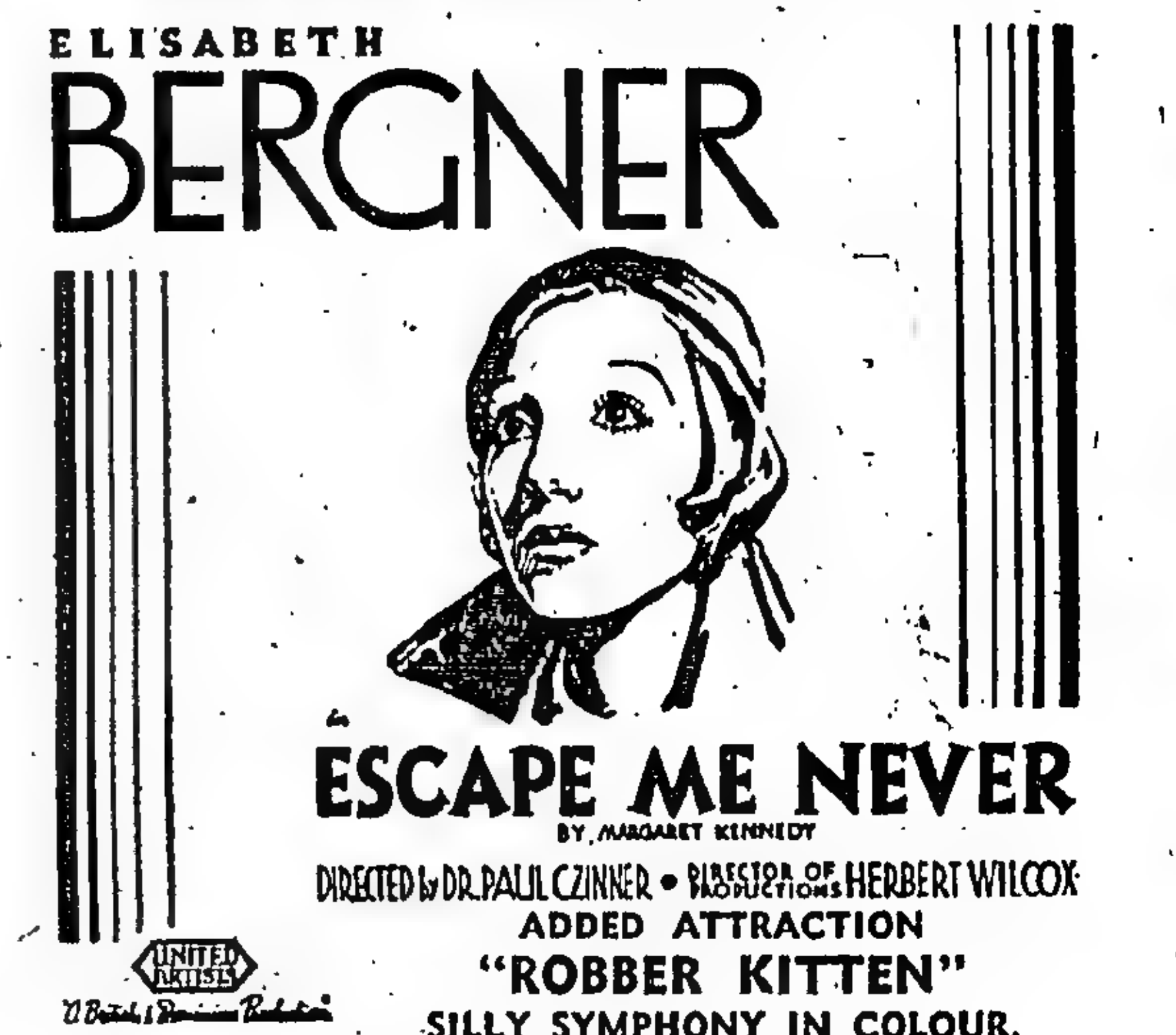
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# ARMS DEALER SCOFFS AT WORLD PEACE

NEW C. IN C.



Vice-Admiral Arthur J. Hepburn, commander of the U.S. Navy scouting force, appointed by President Roosevelt commander-in-chief of the combined United States fleet. He will succeed Admiral Joseph M. Reeves in June.

## Australian Air Needs Come First

### AIR PLAN REJECTION

Sydney, Mar. 3. Describing the British air mail service scheme to a crowded meeting at Mosman last night, the Minister for Defence (Mr. Parkhill), gave several reasons why the Commonwealth Government had rejected it.

Australia wanted to play its part in Empire schemes, he said, but considered that internal development should come first. Mr. Parkhill said that the feature of the scheme was the proposal that, commencing in 1937, all first-class Empire mails should be conveyed by air at the postage rate at present charged for sea transportation.

#### English Control

For the England-Australia route, it was suggested that the mails should be carried twice weekly in each direction by large flying-boats.

A 10-day schedule was proposed at the inception of the new plan, reducing to seven days when the route was completely equipped and organised for flying by night as well as by day.

The scheme contemplated, as an essential, the pooling of the resources of the Dominion communities under the control of Imperial Airways, said Mr. Parkhill.

Mr. Parkhill said that in its present form the scheme presented important problems from a Commonwealth point of view.

He declared that the carriage of large loads of first-class mail involved costs that might conceivably be beyond the capacity of the Australian Treasury.

There were doubts as to the wisdom of relinquishing the fully-Australian control of the service through Australia and on to Singapore, as Australia was definitely interested both commercially and strategically in the route to Singapore.

#### "Speed Inadequate"

The introduction of flying-boats would also necessitate the preparation of a new seaplane route from Darwin, via the Gulf of Carpentaria, and Townsville, to Sydney, and would have an effect on the development of the inland land plane route to Darwin, which was already partly developed, and was strategically more important.

The speed of the flying boat proposed was, in the eyes of many, quite inadequate for a trunk service of such importance, said Mr. Parkhill.

"However," he continued, "all the various and conflicting considerations, including the future of aviation in Australia, have been carefully studied, and the Commonwealth Government has intimated that it is with great regret that it is unable to accept the proposals of the British Government. It is suggesting, for mature adjustment, an improvement in the service, and a reduction in the surcharge for letters from 1s 6d to 6d. The views of the British Government are now awaited."

## NAVAL SHELL MAKERS' SECRET REPLIES

### Frank Admission of "Palm Greasing"

#### WORLD TRADE IN SECOND-HAND RIFLES

AN ARMS DEALER'S CONTEMPTUOUS REMARKS ON WORLD PEACE IDEALS WERE QUOTED AT THE RESUMED SESSION OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION ON ARMS.

Dame Rachel Crowley read a letter from Captain Ball, of the Sole Armament Co., which said:

"In spite of all the dreams of the idealists, who imagine that *homo sapiens* is filled with honour, justice, love and self-sacrifice, Japan is going to take a still larger slice of China, and comparatively shortly while the getting is good."

"Palm greasing," "big business" and "wangle" were phrases that stood out in the frank admissions and letters of Captain Ball.

Sir Harry McGowan and other representatives of Imperial Chemical Industries, Limited, continued their evidence when the sitting was resumed. Sir John Eldon Bankes again presided.

#### "NOT GUIDED BY PROFIT MOTIVE"

Sir Thomas pointed out that under the present system the Government was a customer of I.C.I., but not a very large one. He wondered if the loss of the United Kingdom and Empire trade to I.C.I. would concern them.

Sir Harry McGowan: We would not be concerned with the private loss by nationalisation, but the great loss to the country. Mr. J. Rogers, a representative of I.C.I., agreed with Sir Thomas that generally speaking it was necessary for peace-time orders to be secured to enable any concern to be ready for an emergency in time of war.

Later, Mr. Rogers said he did not think it was true that men engaged in private trade were guided by the profit motive.

#### FOREIGN STATES WOULD OBJECT

When Sir Thomas asked whether I.C.I. had removed or absorbed all its rivals, Sir Harry McGowan said: "No, no. We are not a monopoly."

Later, Sir Harry said, "We think foreign Governments will object to disclosure of the business we are doing with them, and I do not think it would help the cause of peace at all."

Professor Gutteridge (a member of the Commission) said that they had been told that the export of poison gas to Italy had been prohibited.

Sir Harry McGowan said that was so.

Professor Gutteridge: Is it necessary to prohibit it if none is being made?—I only know that we don't make it.

Mr. Rogers, in answer to other questions, remarked that there were twenty small arms manufacturers to-day competing for business all over the world, and there was plenty of competition.

Sir Harry agreed that no licence was necessary for the export of raw materials for explosives and poisonous gases.

Professor Gutteridge: No attempt has been made during the present crisis to stop exports?—No.

#### EFFECT OF BAN ON CHLORINE EXPORTS

Professor Gutteridge: Can you give me an idea. Take chlorine, for example?

Sir Harry: Do you suggest that chlorine should not be exported to any country where it might be used for conversion into poison gases?

Professor Gutteridge: Yes. Sir Harry: If our export of chlorine was stopped it would naturally affect us materially.

Professor Gutteridge: Another suggestion has been made, that all orders received for munitions from abroad should be made public. I would like to know whether this would affect your business.

Sir Harry McGowan: It would not be fair to us. It would disclose to competitors our business.

After Professor Gutteridge had been told of the procedure followed when explosives were being exported, he remarked:

"The licence is much more effective in your case than in the case of, perhaps, machine guns, which can be packed up as planes and perambulators."

Mr. Rogers: Yes. "THERE'S ALWAYS SOMETHING SINISTER"

Mr. H. A. Reincke, chairman of William Beardmore and Company, Limited, Parkhead Steel Works, Glasgow, put in a statement in the reply to the Commission's question.

He said that the estimated replacement value of plant which would be rendered redundant in the

During the proceedings, Mr. C. S. Robinson, one of the I.C.I. chemical experts, revealed that the general impression that mustard gas was easy to make was all wrong.

If he had the raw materials given to him he would have an extraordinarily difficult job, despite his twenty years' experience in chemistry, to make it.

event of the establishment of a State monopoly was £2,270,000.

The Government was practically their only customer for armaments.

For each of the five years since 1930 the company had made a loss.

Professor Gutteridge said that it had been suggested there was something sinister about the financing of the company.

"There is always something sinister about an armaments firm," Mr. Reincke answered.

He added that there was no mystery about the matter at all. Particulars were available at Somerset House.

Professor Gutteridge: One sees these pictures of armaments manufacturers creeping about with money bags in their hands. That does not apply to you, does it? You have been carrying on business at a heavy loss for some years.

Major Clark, managing director of Messrs. Hadfield, Limited, Sheffield, said that his firm's predominant interest in munition work had always been the manufacture of armour-piercing shells in which they had been able to introduce important developments.

His firm asked that the information given in their replies to the Commission should not be published.

In their works was an Admiralty "bond," entirely the property of the Admiralty. It was locked up at night, and the Admiralty had their own staff there.

Sir Philip Gibbs questioned Major Clark regarding what he described as the important Hadfield armour-piercing shell.

Major Clark denied that Hadfield had sold these shells or allowed people to manufacture them on licence to eight foreign countries. He also said that to say the shell was secret was a myth, as it was a patent.

"CRIPPLED BY LACK OF SUPPORT"

He told Sir Philip that the shells supplied in 1930 to the Japanese Navy were not the Hadfield armour-piercing shells Sir Philip had referred to.

Mr. Geoffrey D. Burton, managing director of the B.S.A. Company Limited, Birmingham, told the Commissioners that although the name of the company was the Birmingham Small Arms Company, Limited, a large part of its activities had always related to peacetime products except during war periods.

Prior to the war the proportion of Government work was very much greater than to-day.

He asserted that many of the difficulties could be overcome if the Government took over the B.S.A. Company's small arms factory and personnel, but he contended that the difference between a factory operated by the Government and a similar factory trying to earn profits for shareholders was very definite.

The company trying to pay a return on capital invested would have a much greater incentive and urge to ingenuity. He thought that a private company could be run more economically.

"ORGAN GRINDER'S MONKEY" JEST

Captain Ball, of the Sole Armament Company, Limited, said that he had served in the Air Force. After the war he took up the

## OFFERING PRAYERS FOR HARVEST



Japanese homes in Shanghai last week hoisted national flags and displayed strips of silk, while Japanese schools were closed on the occasion of the Harvest Festival. Shown above at the Shanghai Shrine, near Hongkew Park, is Mr. N. Tabata, Vice-Consul, officiating at the prayer-offering ceremony for an abundant harvest this autumn.

business of disposing of surplus rifles. The B.S.A. Company had an exclusive agency from the War Office, and his firm acted as agents for the B.S.A.

There was laughter when the chairman quoted from a letter, written by Captain Ball, the statement that a section of the Press suggested that they were "as devoid of morals as an Italian organ grinder's monkey."

Captain Ball, questioned by Dame Rachel Crowley, said a factory at Liege existed for the purpose of converting rifles of one calibre to another.

Dame Rachel referred to evidence which was given before the American Arms Inquiry, and particularly to correspondence passing between the Sole Armament Company and the American Armament Company.

The following passage from a letter by Captain Ball was quoted by Dame Rachel:

"As you are no doubt aware, China consumes a vast quantity of small arms per year, and they have bought large quantities of rifles from us, mainly Mausers (over 100,000 in 1931-32), but have slackened off lately owing to the loss of Manchuria and the shortage of ready money in the South, namely, Canton and Nanking."

"In spite of all the dreams of the idealists, who imagine that *homo sapiens* is filled with honour, justice, love and self-sacrifice, Japan is going to take a still larger slice of China, and comparatively shortly, while the getting is good."

"To place herself in a favourable position, Japan must either buy over the Soviet or fight them, and Japan will do one or the other before attending to some more of China."

"Such a move on Japan's part would seriously affect U.S. interests in China, and we think that U.S. would, under the above circumstances, support the Chinese and supply them with arms, etc."

#### LEAVING "WANGLES" TO BIG BUSINESS

"In such an eventuality, something might be done with the stocks of rifles here; also M.G.s; and we think it might be very advisable to approach the U.S. Department for Foreign Affairs and the War Department and hand them a list of what stocks are over here."

"You may possibly have other ideas of your own as to how such a matter should be handled."

"For example, it might be better to bring the stock to the notice only of some 'big business' gentlemen, and leave any possible wangles to them, for they may even see quicker possibilities in such a stock."

"Nothing would surprise us, but bear in mind that world stocks of small arms have sunk very much during the last few years, and we certainly think that our stock is the only one left of any importance."

From another letter addressed to the Sole Armament Company by Mr. A. J. Miranda, on behalf of the American Armament Corporation, Dame Rachel quoted: "Your remarks about growing the

wheels that make the deals go round are very true, and we fully appreciate that very often oil must be added to your quotations."

Dame Rachel said: "You are definitely putting into the minds of the United States that they had better buy arms in order to support the Chinese. That seems to me to come very much within the category of preparation and I should like you to make some comment on that."

Captain Ball: I should call it intelligent anticipation on my part.

Sir Thomas Allen said that whatever other firms had told them it seemed that "palm greasing" was something that Captain Ball recognised.

"Oh, most certainly!" Captain Ball said. "People are not going to do anything for nothing."

"The British Government has refused to allow the export of British rifles to Abyssinia," he went on. "That is, Government-owned arms from the surplus stocks."

"Stocks of British rifles and British guns were left in the various countries after the war—in Italy, for instance. There is nothing to prevent these British rifles going to Abyssinia at the present moment."

#### THE LETTER OF THE LAW

Dame Rachel: Your theory is that it is wise to keep within the letter of the law, and the spirit of the law is as nothing?

Captain Ball: The only thing the British Government is concerned with is the letter of the law. They cannot prevent the shipment of British rifles from any of the other countries. How can they prevent that?

Mr. Spender (a member of the Commission) asked whether Captain Ball was a salaried servant of the company and the latter replied: "No, I am the Sole Armament Company."

Mr. Spender: Do you say that dealing with all your customers it is necessary to grease the wheels?—No, I don't by any means. With some of them it is essential; with others it is not.

There is a sort of moral meridian?—It is a matter of longitude and latitude.

Sir Philip Gibbs: One sense of mystery in my mind, which I am sure you will be able to clear up, is how you get your stocks of rifles and other munitions of war. For instance, you have told us that your Continental trade is as a thousand to one.

Captain Ball: Yes. We get our stocks from the surplus of foreign Governments.

Sir Philip questioned Captain Ball regarding the Mauser rifles, and asked to what customers these went.

Captain Ball said the Chinese Government.

Sir Thomas Allen said that apparently large quantities of British rifles were stocked on the Continent.

Captain Ball said that for instance, the British abandoned 50,000 rifles in Italy after the war. The Commission adjourned.

## LIKE FATHER: LIKE SON?

### Fat Is In The Fire Now

THE young man who studies the slender form of the daughter, and wonders whether it will ever reach the homely proportions of the mother, will find no solace in science. Heredity, it is claimed, plays a big part in ultimate obesity.

An American scientist, after prolonged research into the causes of obesity, has discovered that, in 70 per cent. of the cases examined, the parents themselves suffered the same complaint.

Incidentally, the scientist concludes that exercise does not reduce fat to the extent that most people imagine. This, he claims, is proved by the

fact that a man weighing more than 10 stone consumes energy equal only to one slice of bread during an hour's walk of two miles and a half.

Various reasons, too many to examine, are put forward by the scientist as causes of obesity. But he does stress the importance of diet and the consumption of foods which turn to energy and not merely fat.

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No. 9 A/30.

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Consignees are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before Tuesday, the 17th March, 1936, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Gifford & Douglas in the presence of the Consignee at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, the 12th March, 1936.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL.

Agent.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1936.

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Damaged packages must left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co's representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period. For the examination of damaged dutiable goods, the consignees must arrange for a Revenue Officer to be present.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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Hongkong, 10th March, 1936.

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All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be in the godowns, where they will be examined at Holla's Wharf.

(Consignees are requested to apply for a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable cargo is being examined.)

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Hongkong, 6th March, 1936.

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Oct./Dec. .... 27 cts.

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Ottawa, March 11.

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DEFENCE BUDGET

APPROVED

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collective security, Mr. Chamberlain said it had cost us £7,000,000 sterling so far, and we are still paying at the rate of £500,000 monthly. He said if the House decided that the Government's proposals were necessary for safety and fulfilment of the Covenant obligations, there would be no question but that the country would be able to find the cost.—*Reuter*.

HOME SECRETARY'S VIEWS

The debate in the House of Commons on the Defence White Paper was continued to-day. The Home Secretary, Sir John Simon, emphasised that the normal system in which the Committee of Imperial Defence, of which the Prime Minister was Chairman, operated, and of which the Chiefs of Staff Committee was one of its many sub-committees, was suited to normal times, but it became necessary to reconsider, strengthen and elaborate it in the times through which we were passing.

As they approached the more difficult time of emergency—unhappily they should approach war—there was a necessity for more continuous contact and more rapid co-operation than they got with the Committee of Imperial Defence on the one hand and the Cabinet on the other. If the proposals in the White Paper were approved by Parliament, a portion of the difficulties of the urgent and important task would have to be most promptly discharged, it would require most unflinching attention.

In the judgment of the Government, some expansion of the existing organisation for dealing with defence was now required, and the Government had reached the conclusion that this would best be done by creating a new Minister who would exercise high and special authority as definite Chairman of the Committee of Imperial Defence, with the very important function set out in the White Paper.—*British Wireless*.

ANSWER MADE TO GERMANY

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but will actively participate in any action Geneva recommends.

It is learned that the Russian Ambassador in Paris, M. Potomkin, delivered a similar message to M. Pierre Flandin, the French Foreign Minister.

This statement apparently fore-shadows a united front on the part of France, Russia, the Little Entente and Turkey, and possibly others, against both Germany and the British inclination to compromise with Herr Adolf Hitler, and may neutralise Britain's efforts to win France to a policy of concession.

There is much concern in Britain following the reception by His Majesty the King of the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, and the Secretary for War, Mr. A. Duff Cooper. Each received separate audiences, and significance is attached to the interviews.

It is understood that M. Malink, intimating that to fail to take action against Germany in this instance would be tantamount to rewarding an aggressor and that the Soviet would consider such a death blow to the League of Nations.—*United Press*.

## E. 31552 R. 1936-1937.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 20th March, 1936, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions, and necessities for the year ending 31st March, 1937.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the R. N. Hospital. The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

G. D. G. FERGUSON.

Surgeon Captain,

Medical Officer in Charge,

Royal Naval Hospital, Hongkong.

11th March, 1936.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the 47th Ordinary Annual

Meeting of Shareholders will be

held at the offices of the Company,

Exchange Building, Des Voeux

Road Central, Victoria, Hong

Kong, on Wednesday, the 18th

day of March, 1936, at NOON,

for the purpose of receiving a State-

ment of Accounts and the Report

of the Directors for the year

ended 31st December, 1935.

The Transfer Books of the

Company will be closed from

Tuesday, the 10th March, 1936, to

Wednesday, the 18th March, 1936,

both days inclusive.

By Order of the

Board of Directors,

T. C. T. BECK,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1936.

THE HONGKONG FIRE

INSURANCE COMPANY

LIMITED.

Notice To Shareholders.

The Sixty-seventh Ordinary

General Meeting of Shareholders

will be held at the Offices of the

undersigned on Friday, the 27th

March, 1936, at Noon, for the purpose

of receiving the Report of the

General Managers, together

with a Statement of Accounts for

the year ended the 31st December,

1935.

The Share Register and Transfer

Books will be closed from the 13th

to the 27th March, 1936, both days

inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,

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General Managers,

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Hongkong, 6th March, 1936.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ELEVENTH ORDINARY

YEARLY MEETING OF HONG

KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY,

LIMITED, will be held on THURSDAY,

the 12th day of March, 1936,

at the BOARD ROOM of the

Company, Second Floor, Exchange

Building, Hong Kong, at Noon for

the purpose of receiving a State-

ment of Accounts and the Report

of the Board of Directors, for the

financial year ended 31st Decem-

ber, 1935, and re-electing two

Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the

Company will be closed from the

2nd March to the 12th March,

1936, both days inclusive.

Dated this 4th day of February,

1936.

Order of the Board.

W. L. MCKENZIE,

Secretary.

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## TERRIBLE DILEMMA AHEAD

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taneously to re-condition the Regular and Territorial Armies proved that industry was not organised to meet the situation.

Mr. Churchill contended that Germany will soon be outstripping Britain in the air. He urged the provision of a large and effective despatch to combat the submarine menace. He concluded with the words, "We are not defenceless now. The Navy is unsurpassed, and if the right measures are taken we may surround ourselves with other and equally sure means of protection."

LODGE GEORGE'S VIEWS

Mr. Lloyd George agreed with Mr. Churchill about the vital importance of destroying Germany's power. He pointed out that, in contrast with 1914, Germany is now without allies, and Germany would not commit the folly of opposing all those forces comprised in the collective security system. "Therefore," said Mr. Lloyd George, "when they offer twenty-five years of non-aggression, I believe them."—*Reuter Special*.

PRODIGIOUS SCALE

London, Mar. 10.

Mr. Winston Churchill took part in the defence debate in the House of Commons to-day. He said the scale on which foreign rearmament was proceeding was prodigious. Some time ago he made the statement that Germany had spent directly or indirectly on armaments in 1935 upwards of £300,000,000 sterling. He had had financial statements as to how the money had been secretly found among German financiers. In the three years since Herr Hitler had been in power, Germany had spent over £1,500,000,000—money raised by internal borrowing—and her resources had been mortgaged even for four years ahead. Supposing the figure were only £500,000,000, we should still be confronted with facts which were immeasurable in their consequences. "Germany," we are told, is not yet ready for war. Some say she is only half ready, yet we see that already they are the only nation in Europe unafraid of war. If what we have seen in the last few days is the mood of a partially armed Germany, imagine what it will be when the colossal preparations which are being made are approaching their zenith and when the limits of international borrowing are already in sight. Wars do not always wait till all the combatants are ready. I fear, indeed, that there may be a convincing point in the armaments history of Europe. I cannot tell when it will be reached, but certainly it will be reached in the lifetime of the present Parliament. It may pass off. Let us never accept the theory of inevitable war, but neither let us blind our eyes to the remorseless march of events."—*British Wireless*.

FRENCH STRESS

PEACE MENACE

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understood to be an increased realisation of the serious implications of the German action in reoccupying the Rhineland.

It is understood that France insists upon the withdrawal of even a symbolic force of German troops before she will negotiate with Germany.

The point especially stressed this morning was that Belgium's security was even more dependent upon the existence of a demilitarised zone than France's, and that Germany was unable to accuse Belgium of violating the Locarno Pact, as she has accused France in connection with the Franco-Russian agreement.—*Reuter*.

Italy's Stand

Rome, March 10.

While Italy is participating in the Paris discussions in respect of Germany's violation of the Locarno Treaty, no clear statement of her attitude has been published officially as yet.

Her position is made the subject of ironical comment in the press. Stamps, for example, says Paris and London are taking the position that Italy is a guarantor of the Treaty of Locarno, but pretend to forget that Italy is an accused nation put beyond the pale.—*Reuter*.

Diplomatic Strategy

London, March 11.

It is understood that one of the considerations leading to the proposal to hold the Locarno Pact signatories' and League Council meetings in London was that public opinion in Great Britain has remained most calm throughout the present crisis, which will assist in the admittedly difficult

## SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks.

H. K. Bank, \$1,555 ss.

H. K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), £100 n.

Chartered Bank, \$14 1/2 n.

Mercantile Bank, A. and B. £30 n.

Mercantile Bank C., £18 1/2 n.

East Asia Bank, \$73 n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$270 n.

Union Ins., \$557 1/2 ss.

China Underwriters, \$1.00 n.

China Fire, \$480 n.

H.K. Fire Ins., \$260 n.

Internat'l Assn., Sh. \$3 1/4 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$36 ss.

H.K. Steamships, \$5 1/2 n.

Indo-China, (Prof.), \$30 n.

Indo-China, (Def.), \$20 n.

Shell (Bearer), \$





Jean Harlow will be seen at the King's Theatre, starting next Sunday in "RIFFRAFF," a dramatic story of the waterfront. As Hattie, whose hardboiled exterior masks the softness beneath, Miss Harlow abandons her famed platinum tresses for the first time since her celebrated portrayal of "Red Headed Women," and once again appears as a brunette. Spencer Tracy is the leading man in "Riffraff," and the supporting cast features Una Merkel and Joseph Calleia.

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## AWAITING VITAL VERDICT

"LITTLE N.R.A." NOW  
BEFORE COURT

### JUDGMENT TO-DAY

Washington, Mar. 10.  
 A decision as to whether the Roosevelt Government's "Little N.R.A." for the coal industry is constitutional will be made by the Supreme Court to-morrow, when it will hear simultaneously cases from five American States asking that the Guffey Coal Act of 1935 be upheld, on the ground that Federal Government action is the only possible way of regulating the industry.

The Court will also consider the cases of two coal companies who oppose the 15 per cent. ad valorem tax per ton imposed by the Act, the greater part of which is returned to mine-owners who comply with the code for fair competition and regulating wages and conditions drawn up by the Coal Commission. The companies argue that the tax is not a true tax, but a method of securing compliance with the "Little N.R.A." Code to be established for the industry under the Guffey Act.

If the Government wins, Bills will most likely be introduced in Congress establishing similar "Little N.R.A.s" for all major industries, while if it loses, it will probably be necessary to impose new taxes to make up a loss of revenue totalling \$1,130,000 in 1935 and \$2,460,000 in subsequent years, while the Social Security Tax, which is similarly used to persuade States to pass uniform Unemployment Insurance Acts, is likely to go the same way as the coal tax.—*Reuter*.

## BRITISH FINANCE OUTLOOK

### BIG SPURT IN REVENUE

London, Mar. 10.  
 Receipts into the Exchequer last week, apart from self-balancing revenue, amounted to the exceptionally high total of £32,532,882, and expenditure for the week, excluding self-balancing items, was £24,549,443.

The financial year ends in three weeks, and special interest attaches to the latest Treasury return, which shows on the revenue side that the total ordinary revenue for the financial year up to March 7 amounted to £690,121,420. This was £25,705,168 more than at the corresponding date last year. The Budget estimates ordinary revenue for the full year at £734,470,000.

Total ordinary expenditure to date is £704,126,950. At the corresponding date last year, the figure was £674,714,000. The Budget estimated total ordinary expenditure for the year at £754,571,000.—*British Wireless*.

## LATE MRS. J. S. SMITH

### FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY

The funeral of the late Mrs. Annie Smith, wife of Mr. John Searson Smith, of Messrs. Lohring and Smith, who died at the French Hospital on Monday, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon. The Rev. J. R. Higgs officiated at the graveside.

The chief mourners were the deceased's husband and her brother-in-law, Mr. A. C. Seidel. Among those present were:—Mr. and Mrs. W. Paterson, Messrs. D. C. Wilson, L. Jack, V. C. Labrum, A. C. Wilkinson, A. G. Falla, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Fincher, Messrs. Ezra Abraham, F. Stapleton, R. Pestonji, B. Soltan, Carl Meyer, P. P. Lenfestey, R. S. Capell, Mrs. Capell, Miss D. Capell, Mr. A. W. Brown, Mrs. Engel, Miss C. Engel, Messrs. G. Escher, A. G. Philippon, F. Broadbridge, C. E. Watson, H. S. Hillier, D. Parsons, J. Gibson, Mrs. L. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kew, Miss Daisy O'Keefe, Mrs. J. Dand, Mr. M. K. Bott, Mrs. Buzicki, Miss F. Alarakin, Messrs. A. W. Ramsey, K. C. Lam, P. H. Leung, F. Campbell, Leung Wan-sang, Lau Sang, Chong Ping, Au Yuen-kan, Lee Wing-shui, and many others.

### EXCHANGE RATES

	Mar. 9	Mar. 10
Paris	74.31/32	74.59/64
Geneva	15.15 1/2	15.14
Berlin	12.32	12.31
Milan	61 1/2	62.3/16
Athens	61 1/2	61 1/2
Shanghai	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
New York	4.97 1/2	4.98 5/16
Amsterdam	7.27	7.29 1/2
Vienna	25 1/4	25 1/4
Prague	110 1/2	110.5/16
Bucharest	60 1/2	60 1/2
Madrid	33.4/10	36.11/64
Lisbon	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong	1/3.11/10	1/3.11/10
Bombay	1/0 1/4	1/0 1/4
Brussels	29.30	29.30
Monte Video	39.9/10	39.9/10
Belgrade	21 1/2	21 1/2
Montreal	4.58	4.58 1/2
Yokohama	1/2	1/2
Ido	4 1/4	4 1/4
Silver (Spot)	19.11/10	19.9/10
Silver (forward)	19 1/4	19.7/10
War Loan	100 1/2	100 1/2

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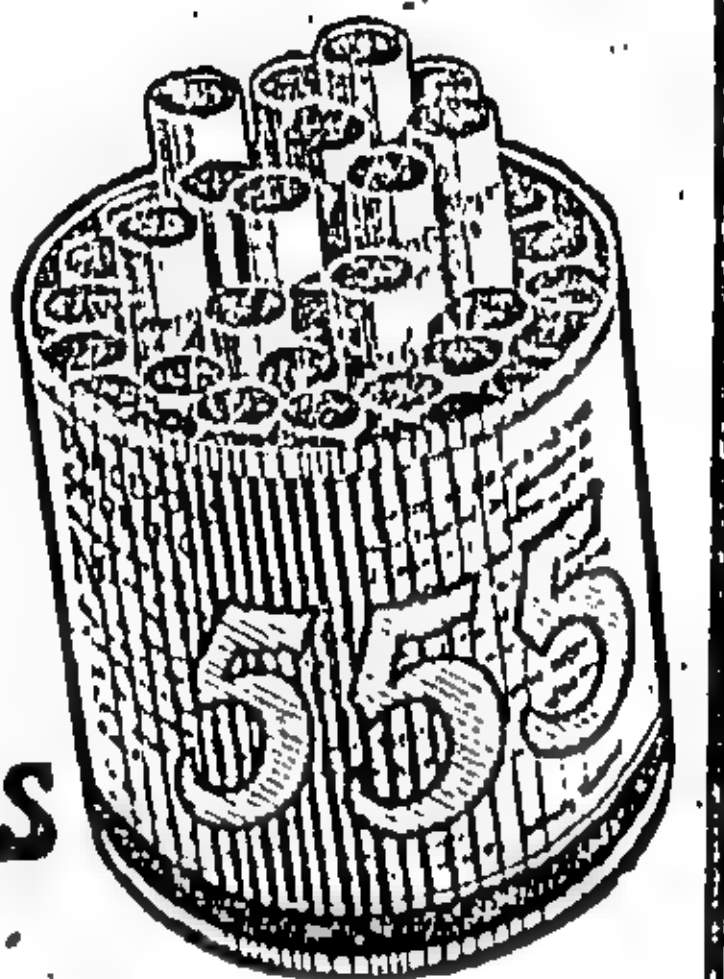
#### AVALANCHE TOLL.

Peshawar, March. 10.  
 An avalanche occurred 150 miles north-east of Peshawar near the Kyber Pass in which 50 persons are reported to have been killed.—*Reuter Bulletin Service*.

A Dinner Dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel to-night at 8.30 p.m.



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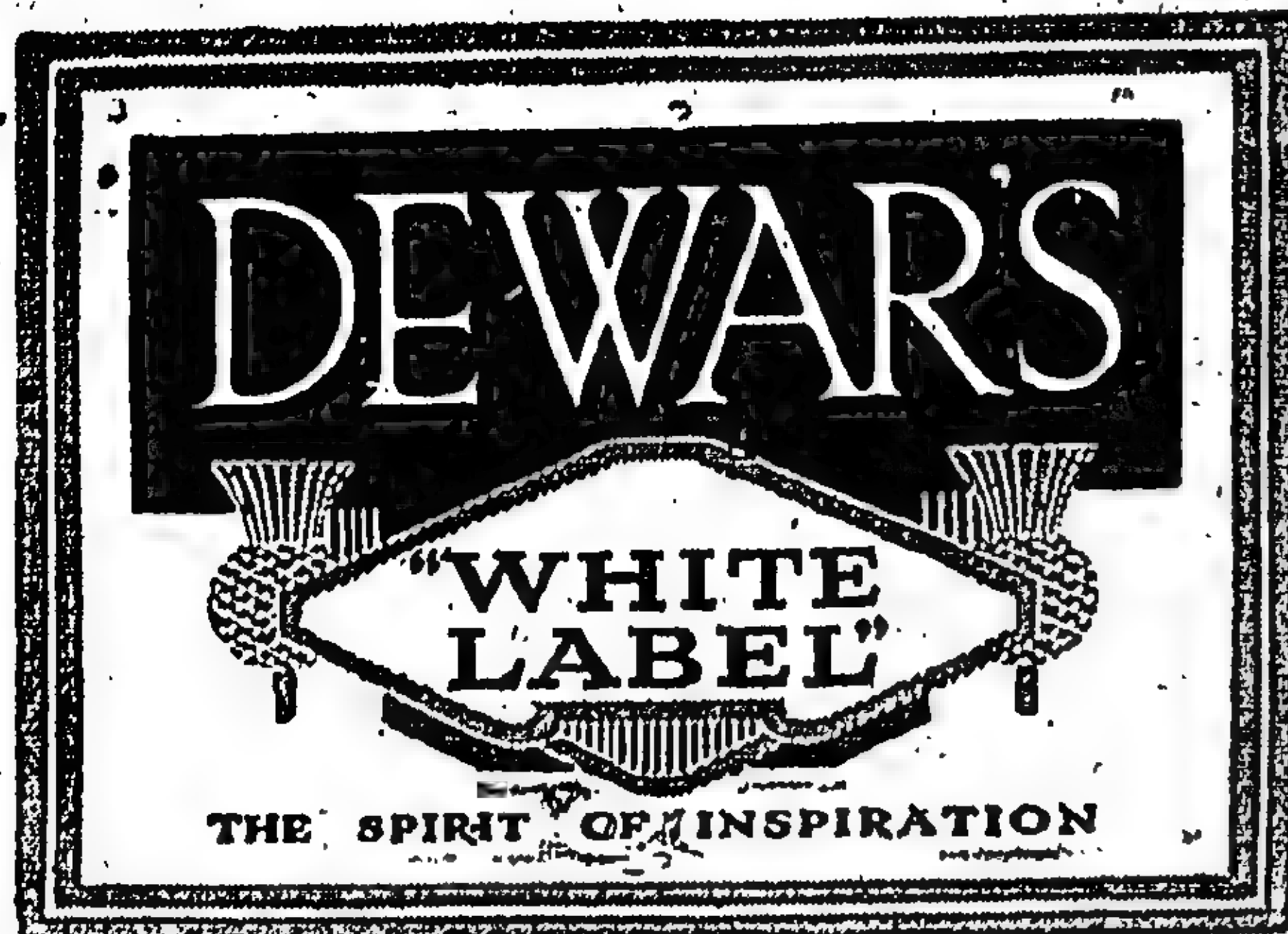
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### **THE FUTURE OF THE COLONY**

There is much point in the recent comment by the *Straits Times* concerning the importance of Hongkong, as an indispensable outpost of the Singapore naval base, particularly the plea that machinery be set in motion for the conclusion of an Anglo-Chinese agreement whereby the whole of the Kowloon mainland would be brought under perpetual British control. Mutual interests which bind China and Britain together dictate the desirability of such a step, and if the matter is properly handled there should be no difficulty in reaching an understanding. Actually, the only parts of the Colony ceded in perpetuity to Britain are the island and just over two square miles of the Kowloon Peninsula; the remainder, known as the New Territories, is held on 99 years' lease, of which there are just over sixty years still to run. Sir Cecil Clementi, former Governor, stressed the importance of permanent British control of the leased area in his recent address before the Royal Empire Society in London. He laid emphasis on the fact that the island and the mainland are indissolubly one. Sir Cecil appears to have had particularly in mind the necessity of permanent control of the New Territories from the standpoint of assuring the defence of the island, but doubtless he also realised the larger implications involved in the geographical position of the Colony in relation to general Empire defence. It is this aspect of the matter upon which our Singapore contemporary largely based its observations, and it is without question the one which would weigh most with the Imperial authorities. There is a suggestion, in Sir Cecil Clementi's remarks, that the issue should be adjusted as between Britain and the Canton authorities, but, slender as the ties are which link Canton with Nanking, it would appear to be essentially a matter for the Foreign Office to take up with the Central Government. Canton would, of course, come into the picture, and, in view of the community of outlook and interest between the two centres, there is no reason to assume that obstacles would be encountered. In a few years' time, this Colony will be celebrating its centenary. It would therefore be most appropriate—were negotiations to be set in train well in advance of that event, with a view to further cementing the relations between the two countries by the conclusion of a mutually-satisfactory agreement covering the point under notice.

A NAME THE WORLD WILL LEARN:

# VOROSHILOV

HE is one of the most important men in the world to-day, a man in whose hands is concentrated the greatest amount of latent force any individual has perhaps controlled since the world began. He is Klimenty Yefremovich Voroshilov, Commissar for Defence of the Soviet Union. Soviet Russia's "Cabinet," the Politburo of ten men, is one of the best-balanced and most richly endowed governmental juntas of modern times. In that vastly powerful inner council there are no passengers. But authority is not by any means equally distributed among its members, and by general consent three men stand out—the redoubtable Stalin, the Jew Kaganovich, an organiser of genius, and Voroshilov. The three are close personal friends who knew one another many years before the Revolution and have the utmost faith in each other's ability and loyalty.

VOROSHILOV is just over 40, a simple man, of high spirits and a powerful personal magnetism which is as difficult to analyse as it is obvious to recognise. He is easily the most popular man in Russia to-day, and his rubicund face is on every mantelpiece and poster. Lord Noel Buxton, who lately returned from a visit to Russia, has testified to the prestige of the Defence Commissar; to him it seemed that Voroshilov is regarded as Catholic countries regard those whom the Pope has canonised.

He is a crack shot and a brilliant horseman. To shoot as straight and to ride as daringly as "Klim" Voroshilov is the dream of every young Communist. The Red Army worships him, and because he tells them Stalin is good for them they swear by Joseph Stalin. When Maxim Litvinov's years of patient toil were rewarded by American recognition of the U.S.S.R., Roosevelt sent to Moscow as Ambassador the blue-blooded, polo-playing William C. Bullitt. Within a few months he had—to the dismay of Washington's Red-baiters and Tokio's sabre-rattlers—established an informal friendliness with the people of Moscow known in any other Moscow embassy. The explanation was simple. He had arranged polo matches between his staff and Voroshilov's Red cavalry, who made up in lusty enthusiasm what they lacked in finesse. The ice was broken.

Voroshilov is a real son of the people. He has herded cattle and laboured in the mines of his native Lugansk—starting at the age of seven. He was 12 when he learnt to read, and very soon after that he was a confirmed Communist, an agitator, a rash adventurer who



By GLYN ROBERTS

would smuggle ammunition, fling a bomb or run an illicit printing press if the party ordered it. Like the rest of the "Old Guard" he "did time" in Siberia and elsewhere. At the Stockholm Congress he met Stalin and liked him. He was at Baku just before the Revolution, organising the oil workers. During the crisis and after it he served the OGPU in various capacities.

It was the desperate Crimean and Ukrainian phases of the civil war, which brought not only Voroshilov but also Stalin and Kaganovich to prominence. The brilliant Trotsky was conjuring armies out of thin air and directing seven or eight on different fronts—from Moscow. These three, less brilliant, were on the spot where the situation was at its most critical. They did without sleep, without food, without news—but they prevailed.

Trotsky was the first War Commissar. Frunze, who succeeded him, died under an unsuccessful operation. Stalin appointed the youthful Voroshilov to succeed him. He has not been a failure. Thanks largely to him Soviet

lages from which many of its men are drawn. It is ceaselessly purged of all disruptive elements; it is trained well; it is mechanised to an extent unequalled by any other army of to-day. Russia's small but competent navy and her much-discussed air force supplement it.

This air force—which is alternately boosted to the stature of a world menace and belittled as comically obsolete by jittery observers who believe they have reason to hate or fear. Soviet Russia—consists of at least 4,000 heavy bombers with a low cruising speed but great carrying power. Fokker says it is the best equipped, best manned and most up-to-date force he knows. It is carefully kept up-to-the minute by a vast system of factories—every square foot underground—whose producing capacity is considerably greater than that of this country or Germany.

THESE three instruments, to protect Soviet Russia by air, land and sea, are directed by Klimenty Voroshilov. He has able men under him—Bud-yenny, Tuchachevsky, Tcharnykh, Blucher, Alksmies and Eidemann. The last of these is at the head of the remarkable society, "Osoaviakhim," which counts twenty million civilians as its members. It improves the nation's physique, arranges stupendous displays, gives practical instruction in defence against gas, and co-operates with the heads of thousands of schools.

The lessons of the civil war have not been lost on Russia's new rulers. They have organised the nation to defend its territory. All its power converges in the strong hands of Klimenty Voroshilov, who, it is rumoured, is to be given the title "Marshal of the Soviet Union."

He will appreciate the honour. But in Western Europe he has another label. They have called him "the Napoleon of Soviet Russia."

## GAMBLERS' CITY

THERE are over a million, and a quarter people in Bombay, and it is safe to say there are over a million and a quarter gamblers in the city.

Children gamble with shells— "cowries." Rich men on cotton and silver and forward prices. And the vast majority of the population on the closing figure of American cotton. Every night about two o'clock the closing price of American cotton is flashed over the air. To-day it was 11.03. The gamble is on the "three." Every speculator knows the opening figure. Yesterday it was 11.02. And the odds laid are nine to one. You can have double and treble—an opening, a closing and another opening; it is called "sutta" gambling—or just speculative gambling. Every coolie, mill-hand, bazaar worker, taxi-man and waiter has his bit on. Hundreds of systems are

printed and sold. Down in the bazaar vernacular papers sell by the tens of thousands with information and tips.

Every restaurant is a bookie's office. You can stand at the street-corner anywhere, lay your bet and draw a "sutta" slip. It is nearly all cash betting and you could easily find takers for a lakh of rupees.

Not a day passes without a police raid or a scuffle and murders are common. The authorities are trying hard to fight the evil, but with their present powers have a hopeless task. I set out the other night to see for myself. "What is the closing figure tonight?" I asked my driver. "Seven, sahib," he replied. "What do you think?" I asked the poon who opened the door. "Five," he replied with a look of knowing contempt for the driver. And so it went on.

Round about two o'clock the scene was like the start of a big race. The "bookies" busily took last-minute bets, and balanced up. The crowds grew in size and excitement.

Then there is a close-down—to prevent "jobs." Suddenly in the distance I saw the crowd surge towards a corner. I could see by standing up in the car a thin, under-sized paper-boy, and flashes of white as his wares were snatched from him. "Teen," "Teen" (three) was shouted down the street. Some smiled and laughed and shouted. And most looked glum and spongy.

So widespread is this last digit betting that now, during the day—when there is the long wait till the American result comes through—you see small knots of men at the street corners betting on last figure of the first number-plate to pass after a certain time.

Crime is, of course, on the increase as a direct result. "So and so lost 300 rupees and the lobe of his ear," began a report of a police case the other day. There are scores of stabbing cases and murders. Fines on gaming houses are ridiculously low and only occasionally are the principals caught. Some "sutta" book-makers actually form companies with high-sounding titles like "The American Cotton Investment Co." Some just lurk at street corners and when moved on write their telephone numbers in chalk on the pavement.

With this social evil rampant it is regrettable to report that some of the socially highest in the town joined to help the Queen Relief Fund by selling numbered programmes for a concert—and that to certain selected numbers money prizes were attached. The police said this scheme was legal—which may be one of the reasons why Bombay smiles at the efforts to put down "sutta" gambling. My driver has just told me that to-morrow's figure is "eight." With the odds nine to one I'll risk my daily rupee.

### SIDE GLANCES By George Clark



"I told him if he ever kept me waiting again, I'd do something horrible. What do you think it ought to be?"

### NOTES OF THE DAY

#### SERVICE REWARDED

Congratulations will be generally extended to Sir Thomas Southern on his promotion to the Governorship of Gambia, which fittingly rounds off a colonial career extending over a period of more than thirty years. Sir Thomas first entered the Empire's service as far back as 1903, when he was appointed to Ceylon, and here he remained for over twenty years, serving the Colony in many and varied positions. He came to Hongkong in 1926 as Colonial Secretary, the right-hand man of the Governor, and has ever since held that post. He has thus put in many years of arduous and responsible work in Hongkong, and it is of interest to note that, with the exception of the late Sir Claud Severn, he has acted as Officer Administering the Government on more occasions than any other official in the service of the Colony. Apart from his official career, Sir Thomas has won much popularity amongst all sections of the community by reason of his urbanity and his social qualities. His departure will be widely regretted, as also will be that of Lady Southern, whose good works are so well known to all.



## NEW BILL SUPPORTS SILVER

MOVED TO REPLACE WHEELER PLAN

BIG MONTHLY PURCHASES?

(Special To "Telegraph")

Washington, March 10. The Senate Agriculture Committee today made a belated report on the Bill providing for the purchase of 1,000,000 ounces of silver monthly until the stock constitutes one-fourth of the monetary stocks or it is worth \$2.10 per ounce.

The Department of Agriculture wrote the report last session of Congress but failed to present it to the Senate until today.

This Bill is offered as a substitute for the Wheeler Bill providing for the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 with gold, and when sixteen ounces of silver equals the purchasing power of one ounce of gold, the purchase of silver could be suspended.

The new Bill says that silver certificates could be issued against the bullion in amounts equal to the cost of the silver to the Treasury.

The report adds that attempts made to put currency of a silver standard particularly the Chinese silver standard, will fail, because the Nanking Government does not control more than a few provinces and the Chinese in the interior of their country, have no faith in paper money.

"It is safe to say that neither our own nor the British Government has a definite financial plan, but are planning their money policies upon a twenty-four hour day,"—United Press.

## THOMAS' PLAN

A Bill designed to stimulate Treasury silver purchases has been introduced in the Senate by Senator Thomas, proposing the retirement of all United States notes outstanding and the issuance in exchange of an equal amount of silver certificates.

The silver purchased for this purpose would not be counted as part of the silver which the authorities purchased under the Silver Purchase Act.

Simultaneously, the proposal by the Senate Agriculture Committee requiring Treasury purchase of at least 500,000 ounces monthly until a silver-gold ratio of 16 to 1, or silver stocks one-third of the gold stocks, is reached has been favourably reported by the Committee.

The proposal is sponsored by Senator Wheeler, and it represents a revival of the earlier efforts to secure free coinage of silver.

Observers are of the opinion that the Administration is not inclined to consider further silver legislation this season, as specified in the operation of the silver programme. At the same time, the split amongst the silverites appears to make impossible sufficient pressure to force legislation.—Reuter.

## GERMANS IN U.S. ORGANISING

MUST BE READY FOR CONSCRIPTION

Washington, March 10. The German Government has ordered all Germans in the United States to report to their consulates for registration with a view to possible conscription.

The Germans in America will not be immediately subjected to military service, but records will be kept for emergency purposes.—Reuter.

## ATTACKING EVEREST

Darjeeling, Mar. 10. Mr. Hugh Rutledge, the leader of the British Everest Expedition, with his main party, left here for Kalampong today, which is 120 miles from the climbers' base.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

## DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

WE HAVE TO LIVE . . . TO SET FORTH WELL GOD'S PRAISE.—Robert Browning.

Knocked down by taxi No. 144 in Canton Road yesterday, Chan Chiu, 46, of 62 Tung Wai Street, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

Ohung Ha, aged 17 years, unemployed, pleaded guilty before Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning to stealing ten cents from a conscript in Gough Street and was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour. Sub-Inspector A. Kirby stated the defendant was arrested by a district watchman.

## FAMOUS ADMIRAL PASSES

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The four newest battleships, engaged in the five battle-cruisers, but the German ships escaped fatal damage from the heavier British fire. When Beatty turned to lure Hipper's vessels towards the Grand Fleet, he masked the fire of his own battleships and exposed his cruisers to the high-angle fire of the Germans. The Queen Mary and Indefatigable were sunk, but later the Queen Elizabeth class inflicted much damage on their opponents, the Lutzow and Pommern being sunk and the Konigs, Seydlitz and Derfflinger disabled. Beatty then moved into line with the Grand Fleet, in which process Admiral Hipper's battle-cruiser Invincible was sunk.

## PLUCKY FIGHT

The German Admiral Scheer had been drawn into a net, but he turned just in time and began to fight a plucky rearguard action, his escape being aided by a haze. Scheer rolled on torpedo attacks, which made Jellicoe hesitate to close with his slower opponent, as he dared not endanger the great force under his command. Beatty, on the other hand, wished to seize the chance presented of destroying the German fleet and to take any risks that might be involved. Scheer escaped partly by skilful tactics and partly owing to the fact that no news of the movements of his ships reached Jellicoe, though they were constantly encountered by British vessels on the fringes of the fleet. The boldness of Beatty and the caution of Jellicoe each have their champions, and the tactics of the Battle of Jutland have been the subject of much controversy.

In Dec. 1916, Beatty succeeded Jellicoe as commander-in-chief of the Grand Fleet and received the surrender of the German Navy on Nov. 21, 1918. Raised to the peerage as Earl Beatty of the North Sea, he received the thanks of Parliament and a grant of £100,000 and was awarded the Order of Merit, G.C.B., etc. He was also made Grand Admiral and First Sea Lord, and attended the Washington Navy Disarmament Conference. Beatty retired in Apr. 1927, after a record term of 14 years.

## JUTLAND CONTROVERSY

Admiral Harpner's semi-official report on the Battle of Jutland, which criticised Beatty, was held up for years during the latter's reign. When the Admiralty decided to publish a revised version, Harpner said it was no longer his report and after he had retired published a book on the subject, whereupon the Admiralty on June 1, 1927, issued Harpner's report in its original form. Harpner claimed that the first part of the battle was a German victory, thanks to Beatty having divided his forces so that he could only engage part of them. The result was that instead of destroying the German battle-cruiser squadron, he lost two battle-cruisers and two destroyers, while Hipper with half the number of ships lost only two destroyers. The situation was made worse by the non-report, owing to the signal and distance, of Beatty's flag to the 5th Battle Squadron, after its course. For this non-report Harpner holds Beatty to blame.

Addressing the Navy League in Oct. 1933, Beatty declared that Britain's naval strength was insufficient to make her an attractive ally and allow her to play her part as a world power or to guarantee free passage to her ships.

In 1901 he had married a daughter of Marshall Field, son, the Chicago department store millionaire. He had two sons. In 1929 he bought Dingley Hall, Market Harborough. He already had three country seats, Granville Castle, Berkshire; Brookby Hall, Leicestershire, and The Priory, Belper.

## ITALIAN LEMONS CONFISCATED

Bucharest, Mar. 10. Sanctions were today applied against five truckloads of lemons, although the fruit was marked "Imported from Greece." It was found to have come originally from Italy and was consequently confiscated.

Oranges and lemons now flooding the fruit markets are suspected to have come from Italian sources, and the Government is investigating.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

## H.K. ELECTRIC CO. MEETING

EXCELLENT POSITION REPORTED

BONUS ISSUE APPROVED

In the face of the deplorable reputation of the Hong Kong Electric Co. at the present time, the speech of Mr. M. T. Johnson, Chairman of the Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., was in happy contrast at the 47th ordinary yearly meeting held at the P. & O. Building this morning.

The net profit, after providing for depreciation amounted to \$1,838,642.87 and, with \$165,908.42 brought forward from last year, totalled \$1,994,451.29 for appropriation. In addition to the interim dividend of one dollar per share in September, the Company declared a final dividend of \$1.50, and the cash bonus of fifty cents, thus maintaining the same dividend and bonus paid last year.

Despite a drop of \$74,000 in gross earnings, economies effected in working enabled the profit to be shown. The present rate of exchange, the charge per unit of the Company is considerably less than that ruling in neighbouring Colonies and in most towns of similar size in Great Britain.

## YEAR'S WORKING

The Manager having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—The report and statement of accounts for the year ended December 31, 1935, have been in your hands for the prescribed period and with your permission, I will take them as read.

The net profit after providing for depreciation is \$1,838,642.87, and with \$165,908.42 brought forward from last year we have the sum of \$1,994,451.29 for appropriation. On September 23 we paid an interim dividend of \$1 per share absorbing \$450,000 and with the balance proposed:—To pay a final dividend of \$1.50 per share, absorbing \$705,000; to pay a cash bonus of 50 cents per share, absorbing \$225,000; to place to reserve, \$400,000; to carry forward to next account, \$234,451.29. The amount of the dividend and bonus recommended is the same as last year and I hope you will consider this satisfactory.

The gross earnings are \$74,704.06 less than last year, due, of course, to the reductions made in the charges for current which came into force in July last, to which I will refer later, but thanks to economies effected in working and to the lower cost of coal, the profit on working shows a small increase of \$9,808.35. We have set aside for depreciation a total of \$715,540, practically the same amount as in 1934.

The output from our plant at North Point was 48,813,623 units, an increase of 2,478,768 units or 5.36 per cent. on the previous year's working. This increase is entirely within the scope of current for power. The fall in lighting consumption, reported by my predecessor last year, has continued but not, I am glad to say, in the same degree. There was an increase of 716 in the number of meters connected as compared with the increase of 400 in 1934 and this brings the total number on circuit up to 38,900.

Turning to the balance sheet, you will observe that the Reserve now stands at \$5,909,000, the increase of \$500,000 representing the amount appropriated to Reserve for 1935. On the assets side, investments at cost show an increase of \$166,641.75 owing to further investments made during the year. The market value of your investments at 31st December, 1935, was less than the purchase price by \$102,322.75, but with the appreciation in value of the Colony this depreciation in value was to be expected. These investments are all in sound dividend earning concerns.

## CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Cash at hand and on current account and fixed deposit was \$1,677,187.74, an increase of \$269,916.18 over last year. During the year we expended on capital account nearly \$300,000, the principal items being final payments in respect of boiler No. 13 installed during 1933, the equipment of a sub-station at the new Hongkong and Shanghai Bank building, new buildings at Sassoon Road and Second Street for future sub-stations, and a wall to enclose our new property on M.L. 526 at North Point. There were a large number of smaller works in connection with the extension of feeders and distributors throughout the Colony.

In July we reduced the standard charge for lighting units from 16 to 15 cents and introduced an additional discount on power and heating accounts of over 1,000 units. The fall in revenue in a full year due to these reductions is calculated to be about \$220,000 and I trust Consumers will appreciate this concession in price.

At the present rate of exchange our standard price for lighting is under 2½d. per unit. This is considerably less than that ruling in neighbouring Colonies and in most towns of similar size in Great Britain.

At the last meeting my predecessor reported the acquisition of additional land at North Point for storage and extension purposes. This land has a wharf alongside which we can berth steamers. During the year 36 ships unloaded 38,500 tons of coal on to the new property and this effected a considerable saving in the cost of coal handling. Our installations at North Point, and in the various sub-stations have been maintained in good order during the year and we have been free of industrial troubles and typhoons.

The question of keeping our plant up-to-date has always the close consideration of your Directors and it may interest you to learn that at their request Mr. Marsh, our Consulting Engineer, who will be remembered

## HITLER DEFENDS HIS PROPOSALS

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Hitler added. But he did not believe they would ever have reached the conference table. British and French statesmen who found their country in as tragic a condition as he found his would certainly have acted in the same way. The German proposals, he concluded, would render a great service to Europe and the cause of peace if they were accepted.—Reuter.

## WORLD MUST ACCEPT

Berlin, Mar. 10. The world must accept the Fuehrer's proposals; there was no other solution; they were the only proposals which could restart national economic recovery in Europe, declared Herr Paul Goebbels, Minister for Propaganda, in a broadcast speech at the opening of the election campaign to-night.

"We did not want to break the bridges with France. On the contrary we seek peace more than ever," he declared.—Reuter.

by many of you as Manager from 1921 to 1930, paid a visit to the Colony recently in order to discuss with us various matters connected with the undertaking.

## EXTENSION POSTPONED

We were able to postpone the extension of the North Point plant which, you will remember, was mentioned at the last general meeting when we anticipated placing orders for new machinery in 1935 or early 1936. We now think that this question can be deferred for at least a year, and in the meantime we are working hard for fresh capital to finance the next extension of generating plant.

It has always been the policy of the Company to set aside annually liberal amounts to reserve which have been expended in extensions of the plant. In order to give to shareholders a return obviously due on such amounts we have in the past capitalized a portion of the reserve fund and have declared a bonus to be satisfied by the issue of new shares. The last of such issue was made in 1928 and the Board now recommends that the Reserve Fund should be capitalized and one fully paid new share for every three old shares in the Company be issued as a bonus to Shareholders on the Register at the 29th February 1936. These new shares to rank for dividend with the existing shares as from the 1st January 1936. The necessary extraordinary general meeting to carry the above into effect will be held immediately after the close of this meeting.

## A WARNING

In announcing on the 19th February last their intention to recommend to shareholders the issue of these bonus shares the Board considered it advisable to call a meeting of the Directors to propose to capitalize a portion of the Company's Reserve Fund, and to declare a bonus to be satisfied by the issue of one new share for every three shares held by shareholders on the Register as on the 29th February last. You will see that the Directors further recommend that no fractional certificates, which are productive of endless difficulties, should be issued, but that where holders are entitled to a fraction of a share the whole of that share should be sold and the net proceeds divided amongst share holders entitled to the share. This follows the same principle as was adopted when the last issue of bonus shares was made in 1928, and I hope meets with shareholders' approval.

The Hon. Mr. Chau Tsun-nin, in seconding the proposal said:—Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—I congratulate you and your fellow Directors, and the Company's Agents, on the result of the year's working, and feel that all Shareholders will be satisfied with the proposed dividend and bonus, and that they will consider the proposed issue of shares a reasonable return on the undivided profits of previous years. I am glad to learn that the number of units sold in 1935 was greater than in 1934 and that the number of meters connected shows a further increase. The reduced charges which came into force in July last are, I feel certain, appreciated by all Consumers of our supply and should lead to a further demand for current. I have noted with interest your report on capital expenditure during the year. That you have been able to defer the extension of plant contemplated for 1936 is satisfactory. The Directors' policy of keeping our machinery up to date and in good order meets with wholehearted approval and I am sure that the question of extending the plant as and when necessary can be left to them with every confidence. I have no doubt that our Shareholders will wish to join me in your appreciation of the services rendered during the year by the Manager, staff and workmen. I now beg, Sir, to second the adoption of report and statement of accounts as presented.

The report and accounts were adopted.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. J. Owen Hughes: I beg to propose that the appointment of Mr. M. T. Johnson to fill the vacancy on the resignation of the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, be confirmed.

Mr. E. M. Barnes seconded and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Leung Fat-tin: I beg to propose that Sir Shouson Chow, and Mr. S. H. Dodwell be re-elected as Directors.

Mr. F. L. Brown seconded and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. A. Stevenson: I beg to propose that Messrs. Linstead and Davis be re-elected as Auditors for 1936 at a remuneration of \$2,600.

Mr. A. McKellar seconded and the resolution was adopted.

An extraordinary general meeting was held following the ordinary yearly meeting. The Chairman (Mr. M. T. Johnson) called on the Manager to read the notice convening the meeting and then

## RADIO BROADCAST

The Z.B.W. Dance Orchestra

## STUDIO RECITAL

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles): 4-7 p.m. Chinese Programme. 6-6.30 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

7-7.17 p.m. "Petit Sauto de Concert" (No. 1) (Coleridge-Taylor). 7.17-7.30 p.m. Four Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone). 1. Star O'Robbie Burns (Booth); 2. The Auld House (Mairno); 3. The Winding Road (Andrew); 4. The Man in the Street (Longstaffe).

7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio. A Violin and Piano Recital by Jose Radecky and Mona Maclean.

Programme:  
1. Waltz—Unrequited Love . . . Lincke; 2. Song—Over the Rim of the Moon . . . Head; 3. Violin Solo—Meditation . . . Massenet; 4. Old and New Melodies . . . Herman Finck.

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report. 8.03-8.30 p.m. Light Orchestra Music.

Nalla. Waltz (Delibes); More at Vita-Judex (Gounod); A Life on the Ocean (Blind); Blue Roses—Selection (Ellis); Folly to be Wise—Selection.

8.30-9 p.m. Variety . . . Vocal Items.

My Gal Sal. "Ida" Sweet as Apple Cider. The Mills Brothers; Lovely to Look At. When I grow too old to Dream . . . Irene Dunne (Soprano); Musical Comedy Requests . . . Les Allen and his Canadian Bachelors; If I had a Million Dollars; Rock and Roll. The Bowdell Sisters; Whatever I think of you . . . Lenia Hutchinson.

9-9.15 p.m. Vocal Gems by the Light Opera Company.

1. New Moon (Romberg); 2. Peggy Ann (Rodgers).

9.15-9.30 p.m. Davenport News Bulletin.

9.30-9.50 p.m. Concert Waltzes by Marek Weber and his Orchestra.

Danube Waves (Ivanovici); Artist's Life—Waltz (Strauss); Tales of Autumn (Waldteufel); Dream Waltz (Millock); Maidens of Baden (Komzak).

9.50-10 p.m. "Mr. Whittington"—Selection by Jack Buchanan and Elsie Randolph with Carroll Gibbons and his Boy Friends.

10 p.m. Big Ben: 10-11 p.m. From the Studio. "The Z.B.W. Dance Orchestra."

11 p.m. Close Down.

said:—At the ordinary yearly meeting which has just terminated I mentioned to you that the Directors proposed to capitalize a portion of the Company's Reserve Fund, and to declare a bonus to be satisfied by the issue of one new share for every three shares held by shareholders on the Register as on the 29th February last. You will see that the Directors further recommend that no fractional certificates, which are productive of endless difficulties, should be issued, but that where holders are entitled to a fraction of a share the whole of that share should be sold and the net proceeds divided amongst share holders entitled to the share. This follows the same principle as was adopted when the last issue of bonus shares was made in 1928, and I hope meets with shareholders' approval.

## THE RESOLUTION

I now therefore propose the following resolutions:—(1) That it is desirable to capitalize the sum of \$1,500,000 being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund, and accordingly that a bonus of \$1,500,000 be declared and that such bonus be applied on behalf of the persons who on the 29th day of February 1936 are the registered holders of the 450,000 issued shares of the Company in payment in full of 150,000 shares of the Company of \$10 each and that such 150,000 shares be accordingly allotted to such persons respectively in the proportion of one of such shares for every three of the said 450,000 shares then held by such persons respectively and that such shares shall rank for dividend as from the 1st day of January, 1936.

(2) That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fraction of a share, the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall at such time as the Directors think fit be sold and the net proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to such fractions making up the share.

Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson: I beg to second the resolutions before the meeting.

The resolutions were adopted.

## THOSE PRESENT

Those present at the meeting were: Mr. M. T. Johnson (Chairman of Directors), supported by Sir Robert Ho Tung, Kt., the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Kt., Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. Stanley H. Dodwell, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson (Directors); Mr. F. Sorby (Manager); and Mr. G. N. Tinson (Solicitor).

Shareholders were represented by Mr. Chan Shu-ming, Capt. F. J. Brown, Capt. Mosses, Lo Koon-kun, Lo Kai-wing, Wong Ping-sun, B. Wong Tape, the Hon. Chau Tsun-nin, Frank Austin (representing A. J. David), Gibson Fainstock, Alex. Campbell, N. M. Currie, Leung Fat-tin, J. Owen Hughes, C. G. S. Mackie, A. McKellar, Wong Chi-po, Stevenson, J. E. M. Barnes, W. H. Choy, Chiu Sang-cho, Chu Kio-kwan, J. M. Jack, C. V. Osmund and Wong Hing-kwong.

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For their dance on Saturday, March 14, the R.E. Old Comrades Association have secured the services of the popular dance band of the aircraft carrier Hermes. This will be the band's first appearance in public since their return to the Colony.

This dance is being held in the China Fleet Club Theatre and will commence at the usual time, 8.30 p.m., but the doors will be closed at 11.30 p.m.

As the China Fleet Club Theatre has previous bookings for the next two dances, March 25 and April 11, they will be held in a smaller hall. Owing to the popularity of these dances, tickets will be by invitation, and if patrons have not yet ordered their names in the invitation book, they are requested to forward them to the Hon. Secretary, Entertainments Committee, R.E.O.C.A., Wellington Barracks.



# ELIOT HALL'S BADMINTON TEAM FOR SHANGHAI

## TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

### LEONARD IS STILL IMPROVING

#### LEARNS VALUABLE LESSONS

(By "Veritas")

J. W. Leonard is a tennis player who learns valuable lessons from match play experience and does not hesitate to appropriate them, which is one reason why he scored such a comfortable entry into the second round of the open singles championship yesterday at the expense of A. L. Sullivan, one-time a leading exponent of the game in Shanghai.

Leonard, naturally a meticulous player, has discovered that readiness and the ability to keep the ball in play will more likely beat the average player in Hongkong than spectacular "fireworks". He employed these tactics against Sullivan with pronounced success.

Not that the match was simply an exhibition of pat-ball; both players hit reasonably hard—Sullivan the harder of the two—but Leonard's impregnable defence and his consistently good return of the ball forced Sullivan into errors and piled up points for the winner.

Sullivan tried hard to make effective his variety of shots, but these days they do not carry with them the same element of surprise, neither are they so impeccable either in length or direction. Leonard found little difficulty in anticipating them and covering the court to return them with interest.

Both players carried out smart manoeuvres and for the most part the match was a battle of wits. It was Leonard that he deservedly carried off the honours.

#### SCOOONES HARD PRESSED

After Leonard had polished off Sullivan most of the spectators moved over to the No. 1 court to watch youthful Warwick Shute take P. H. Scoones the full distance. Unhappily the match started late and with the overcast sky and threatening rain, conditions were far from ideal. In fact the final set was played in light which was unfair to both players.

Shute, bringing his energetic top-spin forehand drive into full force walked away with the first set, his opponent being right out of the game. During this period Shute played with the confidence and aggressiveness of a "veteran" match player and looked good for a surprise victory.

But he tired rather rapidly during the second set and Scoones, at last capturing control over his shots, proceeded to outdrive and out-volley the schoolboy.

It was an entertaining match though one wished it could have been played under better conditions. Once Scoones had invested his strokes with confidence the ultimate result was hardly in doubt. In the third set, despite bad light, the winner raided the net and young Warwick, chiefly I think through physical tiredness, could not pull out a shot to pass his opponent, who scored consistently with angled volleys and decisive "kills". The remainder of the programme went according to general expectation. (Continued on Page 9.)

## Includes Five Senior Team Players

### Our Daily Golf Hint

Golf teaches a mental poise that enables one to take both the good and the bad without complaint; but correct thinking and acting can often turn bad into good.—Jack Hong.

### Five-Year Plan For Football

#### STARTLING IDEA SUGGESTED

(By W. Capel Kirby)

"Points ruin football! It would be a great game without them," remarked the director-who-matters of a famous club. He referred to it as "S O S football."

"What do you suggest as the remedy?" I asked. "Call a truce, and institute a five-year plan," he replied. In brief, his idea is to do away with the spoiling game by cutting out promotion and relegation for five seasons.

What do you think of the idea? Do not forget the danger of stagnation and smug complacency which a sense of security fosters.

There is one other way to stop this safety-first business, and that is to encourage the visiting team to play more open football and keep the ball within the boundary lines.

It is to award three points for an "away" win. Then, I suppose, the home side would exploit the kicking-out and goal-packing tricks.

Perhaps the five-year-plan is the best, after all. I know some teams who, when visiting, travel with definite instructions to play a spoiling game. "A" point will suit us very nicely," they say.

Unfortunately, I have seen too many matches of that variety recently.

#### FANLING MEETING

##### St. John Ambulance Cup Contest

A reminder is issued that the St. John Ambulance Cup will be contested at the meeting of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club on April 5. Tickets Nos. 36801-36950, previously reported as lost, have been found and returned to the St. John Ambulance Headquarters. These tickets are now on sale and will be included in the draw on April 5.

### AND THREE FROM THE "B"

#### Two Matches Scheduled

(By "Veritas")

Eliot Hall's badminton team to play against the Cercle Sportif Francais and a selected Shanghai combination in Shanghai on April 4 and 5 will be composed of five players drawn from the "A" team and three from the "B".

Arrangements for Eliot Hall's visit to the North have now been finalised, their badminton programme being:—

April 4.—versus Cercle Sportif Francais at the French Club. All doubles, each game of 15 points up.

April 5.—versus Shanghai representative team, a series of games including singles and doubles.

The team, accompanied by about ten other members of Eliot Hall, will leave Hongkong by the s.s. Takung on March 29, and will return on April 13.

#### THE PLAYERS

The following are the eight badminton players who will represent the Hall in Shanghai:—

Lee Cheng-ong ("A" team)  
Lee Thean-chiu ("A" team)  
Chan Peng-kok ("A" team)  
Lee Kuan-yew ("A" team)  
Tan Peh-san ("B" team)  
Soon Cheng-hoo ("B" team)  
Liew Keng-siang ("A" team)  
Tye So-chong ("B" team)

Lee Cheng-ong is going his captain of the team, but the first string doubles will be Lee Thean-chiu and Chan Peng-kok. Eliot Hall's leading players. The rest of the doubles combinations have not yet been settled.

In the singles the visitors will be represented by Lee Thean-chiu, Chan Peng-kok and Liew Keng-siang.

#### SHANGHAI TEAMS UNKNOWN

Neither the French Club team nor the representative Shanghai line-up is known here locally at the present, but in view of the generous reports sent to Shanghai by visitors from the northern port to Hongkong, it is quite likely the hosts will turn out strong teams.

Recently Gordon Lum, himself a Shanghai player, said he considered the Eliot Hall players as good as the average in Shanghai, though he did not think they would be able (Continued on Page 9.)

### BIG BADMINTON MATCH

#### TEAMS AT FULL STRENGTH

##### ELIOT HALL "A" V. RECREIO

(By "Veritas")

Both Eliot Hall "A" and Recreio "A" hope to turn out full strength teams for their epic badminton match at the University hotel this evening.

Although this match will not necessarily decide the men's doubles championship, it will provide an important pointer. Eliot Hall naturally are favourites as they are playing on their own court which is so vastly different to that of the Recreio, that the visitors are bound to find themselves somewhat handicapped.

Eliot Hall will probably win tonight, but to them it will be more important to see how easy or how difficult is the accomplishment, for they have yet to visit Club de Recreio. From to-night's match they will be able to form some opinion as to their prospects at King's Park.

The teams will probably be as follows:  
Eliot Hall "A"—T. C. Lee and P. K. Chan; C. O. Lee and C. S. Heng; K. S. Liew and K. Y. Lee.  
Recreio "A"—M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios; L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva; H. A. Alves and E. Sousa.

The full programme for this evening is:—  
St. Andrew's "A" v. Eliot Hall "B"  
V.R.C. v. St. John's  
Recreio "B" v. Kowloon Tong  
Eliot Hall "A" v. Recreio "A"

#### MIXED DOUBLES

##### FIRE BRIGADE WIN EASILY

#### All Nine Games From St. Andrew's

Fire Brigade and St. Andrew's played off their postponed mixed doubles badminton match last night at Police Headquarters, when the home team won by the convincing margin of nine games to love.

St. Andrew's offered rather disappointing opposition in view of their fairly good form just recently and were expected to give the Brigade a closer run for the points.

The detailed scores follow.

#### FIRE BRIGADE v. ST. ANDREW'S

B. L. Shute and Mrs. Shute (Fire Brigade) beat R. H. Wong and Mrs. Dawson 21-0; best P. F. Fincher and Miss M. Churn 21-11; J. L. Anderson and Miss M. Griffiths (Fire Brigade) beat W. W. Dawson 21-2; best Fincher and Churn 21-10; best Well and Wong 21-13.  
A. L. Fisher and Mrs. Kirkwood (Fire Brigade) beat Wong and Dawson 21-10; best Fincher and Churn 21-15; best Well and Wong 21-6.

#### LEAGUE TABLE

	P. W. L. F. A. Pts.
Fire Brigade	13 11 2 93 24 22
C.R.C.	12 11 1 85 23 22
Recreio "A"	9 8 1 60 12 16
Recreio "B"	11 6 5 60 39 12
St. John's	12 6 6 62 56 12
St. Andrew's	11 5 6 62 57 10
Kowloon Tong	14 3 11 40 21 6
Talook	10 2 8 21 69 6
S. and S. Home	12 0 12 18 90 0

### REFEREES PUZZLED

#### What Is Minimum Number Of Players In A Team?

The Referees' Committee has been asked by the Sheffield and Hallamshire F.A. to give a ruling on the following subject, the Referees' Committee in turn appealing to the English F.A. for a decision.

"In a junior match one of the teams was able to field only five players. As the referee considered that the number against a full team would make the game farcical, he refused to allow the game to be started. What is the least number of players with which a referee would be justified in starting a match?"

The Referees' Committee replied that the referee should postpone a match and report the facts to the secretary of the competition when, in his opinion, the game would lose its proper character if contested by too small a number of players.

Arising out of this the Referees' Committee may raise the question as to the minimum number of players who should be permitted to take part in a match.



SPRING IS HERE! TRA-LA!—or so one would think by this study taken yesterday during the Police v. Fusiliers football match. A red hot attack on Police goal produced this display of energy by Gough and others. (Phot. Moe Cheung).

### OSMUND'S BREAK

#### Best Yet In Championship

A. J. Osmund, potential winner of the Hongkong Billiards Championship, scored nearly twice as fast as M. M. da Silva, the Macao champion when they met last night in the semi-final of the senior championship of the Colony.

Osmund went to his points (750) when Silva stood at 418. The winner contented himself with consistent breaks and concentrated chiefly on his excellent break of 137, the highest to date in the tournament.

He was decidedly unlucky to lose the white ball at 104 but he proceeded to score 33 off the red before breaking down. Osmund also helped himself to a couple of half century breaks and quite a number—in the thirties.

Silva, never quite in the same class, did play good billiards at times, but could only make 85 as his best break. Otherwise he had to remain contented with 29.

#### KITCHELL IN FINAL

A. Kitchell reached the final of the junior championship by beating E. A. V. Remedios early yesterday evening by 400 points to 372. Kitchell, retaining an early lead managed to ward off a determined challenge by Remedios. A nicely-compiled break of 59 gave him a useful advantage over his opponent.

#### THE FINALS

The finalists in both tournaments are now known. This evening at 5.30 the first of the two matches will be played when A. Kitchell meets Y. T. Yung. It is certain to be a very entertaining game, the players being very well matched.

To-morrow the climax to a highly successful competition will be reached at the Club Lusitano when A. J. Osmund and W. Hong Sling contest the senior final. This encounter is 1,000 points up spread over two sessions of 500 points each. Those who have not yet booked their seats for this match should do so immediately, either at Messrs. Gando, Price & Co. Ltd. or at the Club Lusitano. If both contestants play up to form this match will provide the most spectacular billiards seen in the Colony for many years.

### BOWLING GREEN CLUB

#### NEW PRESIDENT

At the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Bowling Green Club held at the Club House yesterday evening, Mr. L. Guy was elected President for the ensuing year. The election was made on the proposal of Mr. W. E. Hale, who said that Mr. Guy had rendered yeoman service to the Club in many respects, and had previously occupied the post. The proposal was seconded by Mr. W. S. Drake and carried with acclamation.

Mr. Hale, President, was in the chair and was supported by Messrs. D. W. Waterson (Hon. Secretary), J. L. Tolley (Hon. Treasurer), L. Guy, F. L. Rapley, E. W. Gardner,

### POLICE HELD TO A DRAW

#### AFFECTS TITLE HOPES

##### LEAGUE SOCCER YESTERDAY

Although Police by virtue of their drawn match yesterday with the Royal Welch Fusiliers, retain the leadership of the first division of the Hongkong Football League, they greatly assisted the cause of South China "A" by failing to garner both points.

The result was well in accordance with the run of the play. Police were on top in the first half and positions were recovered after the interval. If anything the soldiers were a trifle unlucky not to obtain the odd goal and the two points. Had they made the positional changes earlier, this might well have resulted.

The game, played at Kowloon, boasted patches of really bright football. Police attack was continually enterprising, and once Talbot had moved into the forward line the same can be said of the Fusiliers.

#### NORTH WITHOUT A PEER

North played a splendid game at right half for the Police and had no peer among the half backs, while Keating was the abject full back on view. The Police intermediates impressed somewhat more than did the Fusiliers, who suffered from the effects of poor first half football by Talbot. When Wanklyn moved over to the pivotal berth there was an immediate improvement in the soldiers' middle line.

Conkley, and later on Talbot were live wires in the Welch attack, while Police were cleverly led by Johnson. McFarly figured prominently in the Police goal and had rather more to do than Rowlands, his opposite number, who, however, showed smartness during the first half.

Police took the lead following a fine movement initiated by North, who transferred to Brooks. The left wing put the ball right across the field and Tommy Pile (making a welcome reappearance on the right wing) dashed in to beat Rowlands with a shot from an acute angle. Police held on to the slight advantage until the interval, ten minutes after which Conkley scored with a glorious drive.

Police went further ahead when Johnson netted in typical fashion, but the lead was short-lived, a foul in the penalty area permitting Talbot to equalise with ease.

After this Police were strictly on the defensive and the goal suffered a

### REFEREES RESENT INQUEST RIDER

#### Inquiry To Be Made

After a protracted inquest on James Thorpe (22), the Sunderland goalkeeper, who died on Feb. 5, a few days after the match against Chelsea at Roker Park in which he was injured, the jury found that:

Death was due to diabetes, accelerated by the rough usage he received in the game, and that the referee was very lax in his control. They added as a rider:

"We urge the Board of Management of the F.A. to instruct all referees that they must exercise stricter control over the players so as to eliminate as far as possible any further accidents."

#### REFEREE'S RIGHT TO EXPLAIN

##### League To Hold Full Inquiry

Mr. J. McKenna, Liverpool, the president of the Management Committee of the Football League, said that he was greatly surprised that referee was not asked to give evidence.

"The jury had not heard the referee's explanation," he said. "Until the referee has given his version it is impossible to say anything."

"I am not surprised at the jury asking for an inquiry into such a serious accident, and I can say that there will undoubtedly be a full inquiry at our next meeting. In view of what was said at Sunderland it would not be fair to the referee for him to go on to the field until there has been a full inquiry and the whole circumstances have been brought out."

Mr. Ernest H. Spiers, Bourville, President of the Referees' Association, expressed surprise at the jury's rider. "It is a very unexpected statement," he said. "My observation has been that the referee's control this season has been, on the whole, good, particularly with reference to the care of the goalkeeper."

"Rulings in connection with play in the goalmouth are one of the most difficult parts of refereeing."

series of narrow escapes, the wood-work being struck more than once.

#### LEAGUE TABLE

	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.	Goals
H.K. Police	18 11 0 3 51 23 20	
S. China "A"	15 12 0 6 53 20 24	
R.W. Fusiliers	13 8 1 9 38 23 23	
Chinese Ath.	15 7 0 2 25 15 20	
S. China "B"	14 6 1 2 27 18 10	
H.K.F.C.	10 8 3 5 38 26 10	
R.U. Rifles	18 6 0 5 38 30 18	
St. Joseph's	19 2 0 9 36 48 18	
Royal Navy	14 7 0 7 36 34 14	
East Lancs.	14 4 2 6 28 23 14	
Recreio	10 5 4 7 20 27 14	
Kowloon F.C.	10 4 1 11 25 37 9	
R.A. Lyemun	10 2 2 13 24 48 0	
R.A. Scuttors	10 1 2 16 15 82 4	

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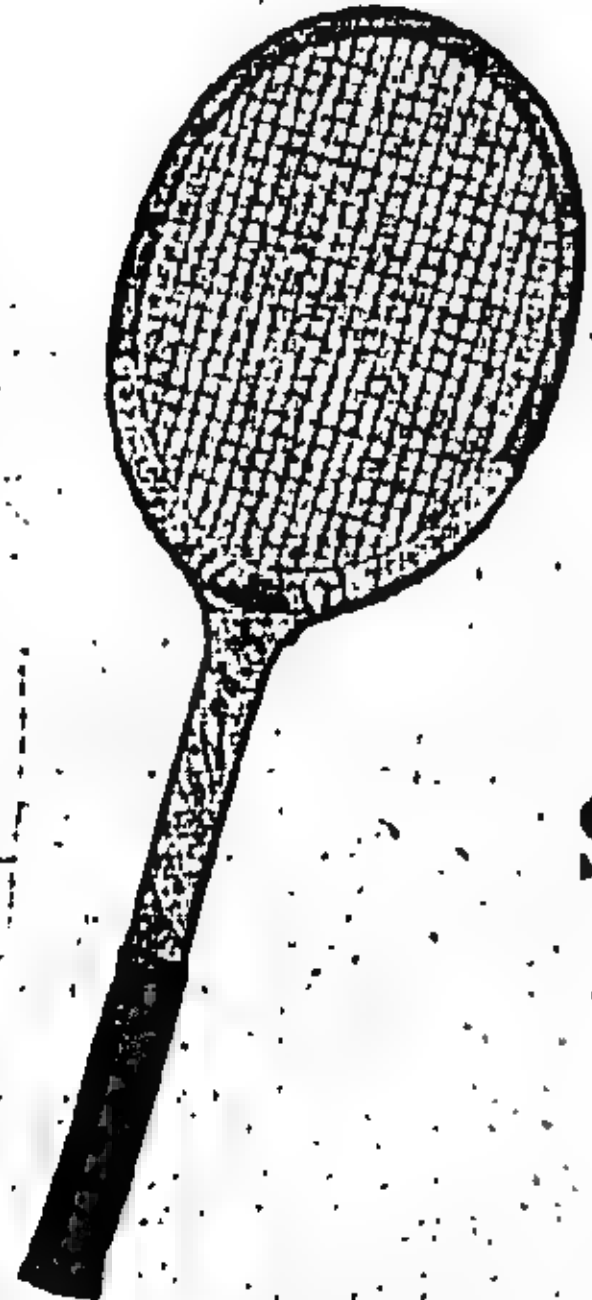
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## SNATCHER TO BE WIFE SUMMONSES BIRCHED HUSBAND

### THREE LADIES AS VICTIMS

Arrested after he had committed his third theft from ladies, the 25-year-old, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistrate's court this morning, and was given a total of one year's hard labour and twenty strokes of the birch.

Defendant was charged with having stolen a handbag, containing \$2 in money, from Mrs. Souza, residing at No. 14 Shan Kwong Road, in Shan Kwong Road on February 28; the second charge was in respect of theft of a handbag, containing \$4 in money, a fountain pen, pocket-book, a Police Office receipt, and a key, from Mrs. Donaldson, residing at No. 11 Village Road, at Yik Yam Street on March 6; and the last charge was in respect of theft of a handbag, containing \$15.60 in money, from Mrs. E. Tucker in Shan Kwong Road on March 6.

#### VIOLENCE USED

Detective-Inspector A. E. Carey said that in the first case the complainant was 74 years of age. Defendant snatched the handbag from out of a basket she was carrying, and in doing so he knocked the complainant over. As a result, the complainant received a bad shaking up and had not been able to leave her home since. Her appearance in Court was the first time she left her home.

In the second case, the complainant was walking along Yik Yam Street when defendant came from behind and snatched her bag. In the third case, the complainant was walking towards the bus stop at the bottom of Shan Kwong Road and Wong Nei Chong Road when defendant accosted her. He pretended as if he was going to strike a match and light a cigarette and then snatched her handbag. He was chased by a constable into Yik Yam Street and cornered in a latrine. He hid the bag in the latrine and came out. The bag was recovered from the latrine after his arrest. He took the police to the roof of No. 23 Yik Yam Street, where the bag mentioned in the second charge was found under a water tank. A small statue was also found in his possession, which he admitted having stolen. The bag in the first case was not recovered, while the fountain pen was recovered from a pawnshop in Cross Street, where he had pawned it for thirty cents. No violence was used in the second and third snatches, except the bag in the third case was damaged beyond repair. Special police had to be stationed in the district owing to the larcenies.

Mr. Schofield sentenced defendant to four months' hard labour on each charge, the sentence to be served concurrently, and also ordered twenty strokes of the birch.

## SESSIONS LIST FIVE CASES ON CALENDAR

The Criminal Sessions for this month will be held at the Supreme Court on Monday next when the following cases will be tried:

Lam Su-cho, 26, charged with wounding Sui Lai-chen, 23, widow, at Happy Valley on January 6, with intent to maim, disfigure or disable.

Lo Chuen and Lo Po-kwong, charged with armed robbery at the second floor of 38 Eastern Street, West Point, on January 22.

Chan Leung-mo, alias Ah Ying, alias Ah Chung, 26, Chiu Mul-tai, 30, Lam Koi, 23, Lam Hei-an, 32, Li Shing, 34, and Lam Ping-chi, 26, charged with having robbed Lau Yu, gardener, of six chickens and a felt hat at an unnumbered match at Kowloon Tong on January 31. The first defendant is also charged with receiving.

Lo Ching and Wong Kan, charged with possession of coin moulds.

In Kwong charged with breach of the Deportation Ordinance and burglary.

## SHARP TENSION IN MADRID

### TWO SOCIALISTS SLAIN IN COLD BLOOD

Madrid, March 10. Sharp tension exists following the killing of two Socialists, allegedly by Fascists, to-day.

The Socialists were holding a meeting when shots were fired at the gathering from a passing taxi.

Reuter.

## L.C.C. FINANCES

### HUGE SUM FOR HOUSING

London, Mar. 10. The annual estimates of income and expenditure for 1936-37 were before the London County Council to-day.

They showed that a total of £21,710,860 is estimated to be required from rates. Capital commitments of the Council are estimated at £23,162,000, of which £27,765,000 is in respect of housing.

—British Wireless.

#### MIST OR DRIZZLE

The anticyclone has moved eastward. Pressure is now highest over the Sea of Japan, and is relatively low over Indo-China. Local forecast: —N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy with mist or drizzle.

#### MOB VIOLENCE

Madrid, March 11. Four large buildings, including a convent and the Catholic Party Headquarters, were set afire by a mob to-day.

—Reuter.

## WILFUL NEGLECT ALLEGED

In a summons before Mr. K. Keen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, Lam Tam-cho made an application for maintenance against her husband, Lam Tai, whom she charged with wilful neglect. The case was adjourned for one month as the defendant was absent from the Colony.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland, B.A., appeared on behalf of the complainant and stated that he understood that defendant was unable to attend, as he was a pilot on board one of the United States' naval vessels which was away from port. The summons, he continued, was an application for maintenance and the complainant charged the defendant with wilful neglect in providing for her and her children.

Mr. Russ explained that no date was mentioned in the summons, as it covered an elastic stretch. The facts were that complainant's husband was employed on a United States' naval ship as a pilot and received a salary of \$150 a month. The complainant was his kit-fat wife, having married him some years ago. At present there were three children. There were other children who had either died or were married.

The case had come before the Hon. S.C.A. and at that time defendant had

## GREAT ITALIAN OFFENSIVE

### Seek To Engage Army Led By Emperor

(Special to "Telegraph")

Asmara, March 11. A land and air offensive continues along the whole Italo-Ethiopian front.

The Italians hope to engage shortly, in a decisive battle, the army which is commanded by the Emperor of Ethiopia himself. They regard this as the only force capable of sustaining any real engagement.

So far the Emperor's troops have eluded the Italian attempts to force them into pitched battle and are fighting a daring guerrilla war.

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admitted that the three children had been properly adopted, and the Hon. S.C.A. made an order that he should pay the complainant \$20 a month, which he completely failed to obey, although he got \$150 a month as salary. During the past fifteen months he had only paid complainant \$15, and she was in such a state that she was forced to give up the small boat she had in the country and come to Hongkong to pursue her rights.

Mr. Russ added that he understood that Mr. C. E. R. Sanderson, who was appearing for the defendant, had made an application for an adjournment of the case as the man was not in the Colony, and he (Mr. Russ) was not objecting to the application.

Mr. Sanderson submitted that the summons was improper and applied for the dismissal of it. He stated that no dates had been mentioned in the summons and no offence was specified. He submitted that dates must be given in the summons, that he could take full instructions to defend.

The Magistrate refused to dismiss the summons and amended it by noting the period between August 20, 1935 and February 20, 1936.

In adjourning the summons until 2.30 p.m. on April 8, his Worship in the meanwhile upheld the Hon. S.C.A.'s order that complainant be paid \$30 a month.

## Red Cross Unit Again Attacked

### THIRD BOMBING CONFIRMED

London, Mar. 10. Italy has diplomatically professed ignorance of the second bombing of the British Red Cross unit at Quoram, but has promised to repeat the instructions to its forces to avoid a recurrence.

This instruction was originally given when the first bombing of the Quoram unit was reported and a British protest was lodged.

It is now confirmed that a third bombing of the ambulance unit has been carried out by Italian planes, on March 6, and will probably evoke a third British protest.

—Reuter Bulletin Service.

## ANTI-JEWISH RIOTING

### POLICE FIRE ON MOB IN POLAND

Warsaw, Mar. 10. Nine were killed and 19 injured in anti-Jewish rioting at Przystek to-day.

Police fired on hooligans who destroyed a hundred Jewish shops before they were brought under control.

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## DEPARTING BY TROOPSHIP

### ARMY DETAILS BOUND FOR HOME

A number of well-known Army officers and their families will be leaving the Colony by the transport Neutralla which is due here shortly from Home with details which have already been announced. The Neutralla will leave Hongkong on April 1 on what will be his last voyage for the carrying of troops.

Following are the personnel which she will take from here:

#### TO UNITED KINGDOM

Royal Artillery—Mrs. Hall, wife of Lt. Hall, and child.  
Royal Engineers—Lieut. W. B. Cooper, Mrs. Cooper and child.  
Royal Signals—Lt. Cpl. Emery and Lomax.

1st Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment—C.Q.M.S. Penion, Mrs. Penion and four children; C.Q.M.S. Wright, Mrs. Wright and two children; Sgt. Harris, Mrs. Harris and three children; Sgt. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor and four children; Mrs. Ash, wife of Sgt. Ash, and child; Mrs. McCall, wife of Cpl. McCall, and two children; Lt. Cpl. Bell and Mrs. Bell; Pte. Winfield and Mrs. Winfield.  
2nd Battalion, Royal Welch Fusiliers—Sgt. Evans, Mrs. Evans and two children.

Wares. Regt. (attached to 1st Battalion, Royal Ulster Rifles)—Sgt. W. Keen.  
2nd Battalion, East Lancashire Regt.—Mrs. Boardman, wife of Sgt. Boardman and child; Cpl. Ratcliffe, Mrs. Ratcliffe and two children.  
H.K. Bde. H.K.S.R.A.—Lt. Sgt. Morris and Thomas.

R.A.S.C.—Details.  
R.A.M.C.—Major T. F. Kennedy, Mrs. Kennedy and two children; Major F. D. Annesley, Mrs. Annesley and three children and Miss Hamilton, nurse; Capt. A. P. Trimble, C.Q.M.S. Baggs, Mrs. Baggs and two children; and details.  
R.A.C.—Col. W. J. H. Bilderbeck and Mrs. Bilderbeck.  
Q.A.I.M.N.S.—Sister (Mrs.) Langford.  
Corps of Military Police—Pte. Goulbourne and Mrs. Goulbourne.  
Army Audit Staff—Mr. A. S. King, Mrs. King and daughter.

#### TO SINGAPORE

R.A.—Lt. Sgt. F. Ryles.  
R.A.V.C.—Sgt. Jordan.  
R.A.M.C.—Sgt. Major Steer, Mrs. Steer and three children.

#### TO COLOMBO

Royal Artillery—Major J. C. L. Yalo and Mrs. Yalo; BQMS. Snooks, Mrs. Snooks and two children; Sgt. Layzell and Mrs. Layzell; BSM. Lee, Mrs. Lee and two children.  
Royal Engineers—Sgt. Snowball, Mrs. Snowball and three children; Sgt. Docherty, Mrs. Docherty and five children.

1st Battalion, Lincolnshire Regt.—Sgt. Cuff, Mrs. Cuff and daughter; Mrs. Darby, wife of C/Sgt. Darby, and two daughters.  
2nd Battalion, Royal Welch Fusiliers—Lt. Col. E. Hindson and Mrs. Hindson; Boy Mulvey.  
2nd Battalion, East Lancashire Regt.—Major R. J. Wolsley and Mrs. Wolsley; Lieut. P. Wieden and Mrs. Wieden.

Royal Army Service Corps—Lieut. Munckton and Mrs. Munckton.  
Royal Army Ordnance Corps—Capt. L. Biddle; A/SM. McConnell, Mrs. McConnell and son.  
Royal Army Pay Corps—Sgt. Fox, Mrs. Fox and daughter.  
Q.A.I.M.N.S.—Sister (Miss) Healey.

#### PAYMENT PASSAGES

2nd Battalion, East Lancashire Regt.—Ptes. Read and Lewis.

## FORMER SERVANT GAOLED

### THEFT COLLUSION HINTED

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistrate's court this morning, on So Chun, unemployed, aged 25 years, who admitted a charge of stealing two fur lined long coats valued \$100, the property of Mr. Lau Tak-po, managing director of the Hongkong and Yau-mat Ferry Company, from his residence at No. 11 Seon Koon Terrace.

Acting Sub-Inspector Madgewick said defendant was arrested in Causeway Bay Road about 1 a.m. to-day. The coats were wrapped up in a piece of cloth. When questioned, he stated that his master had sent him out to get the coats. The constable took defendant back to the house and there it was discovered he had stolen them. Defendant stated to the police that he had got into the house through an open window, but this window was very small, and it appeared as if he had been allowed into the house by someone inside. An amah had since absconded from the house. Defendant had formerly been employed by the complainant and had been dismissed for bad conduct. There had been several petty larcenies in this district recently.

## PHILIPPINE GOLD MINING SHARES

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts received the following buying and selling quotations from their Manila Agents this morning:

Benguet Concessions	11.00-11.70
Antamok	1.20-1.25
United Paracates	.38-.40
San Maurelios	.00-.06
L. X. L's	.70-1.00 sellers
Masabates	.42-.43
Demonstrations	.36-.38 1/2
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